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PREFATORY NOTE

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The India Office had the kindness to supply typescripts for the gaps noticed in the volume in this office. Reverend A. Sauliere, S.J., of the Loyola College had the kindness to correct the proof containing the French portion.

EGMORE,
17*th June* 1930.

P. MACQUEEN,
Curator, Madras Record Office.

RECORDS OF FORT ST. GEORGE

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OF

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[Volume No. 59.]

[*From January* 2 *to December* 29]

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, JANUARY 1728–29*——

The Consultation and Diary book of James Macrae Esqr. President and Governour &ct. Council of Fort St. George, containing their proceedings and transactions in the affairs of the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies, relating to the Presidency of the Coast of Choromandell, began this second day of January, one thousand seven hundred twenty eight.

Fort St. George.

Captn. John Balchen in the James & Mary, arrived from Fort Marlbrough. January 2.

received by Pattamars, a general Letter from the Chief and Factors at Tellicherry. 3.

At a Consultation

Present

James Macrae Esqr. Governour President.

Robert Symonds.	John Roach.
Randal Fowke.	Samuel Hyde.
Augustus Burton.	Charles Peers.

Friday 3d.

Ordered that Two Thousand five hundred 2500 pagodas be advanced the Paymaster, for charges of Garrison and other Disbursements of the month. Money advd. Paymaster.

General Letters read vizt. Genl. Letters read.

No. 1, 2 and 3 from the President and Council of Fort William one dated the 28th November and Two the 3d. December 1728, in the first They advise the Arrival of Europe ships, that the Hertford, Frances, Aislabie and George were designed hither, the Two first of them to Call at Vizagapatam, and that the Heathcote, Walpole and Stretham were to be dispatched from thence. They also mention some deficiencies in the silver and rupees sent them, in the next letter They write that They had kept the Aislabie to go home from thence on receipt of the Advice we gave them that the James and Mary was Coming hither, the other Letter is only to enclose the Invoice and bill of lading &ct. papers by the Hertford. Three from Bengal.

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[Two] from Vizagapatam.

N°. 4 and 5 from the Provisional Chief and Council of Vizagapatam, dated 25th. November and 17th. December 1728, the first advising the disappointment they meet with in bringing in their Cloth, from the great rains which have fallen there the other enclosing invoice and bill of Lading for Two hundred and forty bales on the Hertford.

[o]ne from Inegaram.

N°. 6 from Mr. Sanderson at Ingeram, dated 10th December, advising that he should send his Vessel out the first of January with about eighty bales.

[On]e from Tellicherry.

N°. 7 from the Chief and Factors at Tellicherry dated 29th. November 1728 advising the Arrival of the George brigantine on that Coast.

Ships Hertford & George to be despatched together first and [th]e Frances to be kept to [a]rrive with the James and Mary.

Ships George and Hertford arriving very late from Bengal the James and Mary being but just imported from Fort Marlbrough and the Frances not yet Arrived the Board took into consideration the dispatch of them for Europe and Agreeing that to send them all together would necessarily make them all late ships, It was Resolved to dispatch the George and Hertford the Two largest Ships and which consequently pay the heaviest Demorage by the 25t . instant at furthest, and the other Two as soon after as we possibly can.

Mr. Torriano represents to the Board that from the Arrival of the new Charter, he has acted as Clerk of the Peace in which employ he has had a considerable deal of Trouble and also has been at a large expence in getting a Person to engross the Records, and therefore requests that he may be Allowed a Salary for that post.

Mr. Torriano appt^d. Coroner, and Salary allowed him.

which request being Considered the Board agreed in consideration of the Trouble of that employ and that of Coroner which he likewise acts in, to allow him one hundred 100 pagodas ℔ Annum Salary to be paid out of the Fines which shall be levied on Criminals and if They be not Sufficient, that the remainder shall be made good out of Cash provided that in consideration hereof he shall be obliged to prosecute all causes for the Company as their Attorney, for which employ our Hon̄ble Masters formerly allowed a Salary of Fifty pounds ℔ Annum.

Capt. Pitt advices the commencement. of [Shi]p Georges domorage.

Captain George Pitt of the George delivers a paper to the Board as entered hereafter, to advise that his demorage Commenced the ninth December at sea, in his passage from Bengal to this Place.

JAS. MACRAE.
ROBT. SYMONDS.
J: ROACH.
[*Lacuna*].
SLL. HYDE.
AUG: BURTON.
CHARLES PEERS.

TO THE HON̄BLE JAMES MACRAE ESQR.

PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &CT. COUNCILL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HON̄BLE SR. & SIRS

This is to aquaint you that my ship entered into demorage on the ninth day of December in my passage up from Bengal to this port.

I am
HON̄BLE SR. & SIRS
Your most Obedt. Servant
GEORGE PITT.

FORT ST. GEORGE
3D. JANUARY 1728.

4TH. Captain Robert Millne in the Miramadut imported from Malacca and brought a General Letter from Fort Marlbrô delivered him at Malacca.

10. Ship Frances belonging to the Hon̄ble Company arrived from Bengal and Vizagapatam, and brought Letters from each place.

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

JAMES MACRAE ESQR. GOVERNR. PRESIDENT.
ROBERT SYMONDS. JOHN ROACH.
RANDAL FOWKE. SAMUEL HYDE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON. CHARLES PEERS.

MONDAY 13TH.

The President reads the Cash Account for the month of December, ballance remaining one hundred forty three thousand three hundred thirty three pagodas twenty eight fanams and sixty cash 143333. 28. 60 which is carried to the next Account. [Cash] Account for December read.

He also reads the Mint Account Current for last, ballance remaining due from him sixteen Thousand Three Hundred seventy two rupees eight Annaes 16372. 8. – which are carried to next month's Account, and sixty four pagodas thirty one fanams and twenty five cash 64. 31. 25 which are now paid in. [Mint] Accot. for do.

The Accomptant reads the Journal parcels for the month of November. [Journal] parcels for November, read.

John Roach Pay Master, reads that account for last month vizt. Paymrs. Account for December, read.

Charges Garrison	Ps. 1370	10	60
Charges Cattle	66	24	—
Charges Hospital	41	14	—
Charges Extraordinary	6	4	—
Bombay Presideney	25	—	—
Charges General	429	16	75
Repairs of Fortifieations	272	1	15
Charges Diet	583	12	—
Pags.	2794	10	70

ballance due to him and now paid, Two hundred ninety four pagodas ten fanams and seventy Cash 294. 10. 70.

The extraordinary expence in this Account arises as hereunder vizt. Extra. expence reportd.

CHARGES EXTRAORDINARY.

pd. towards a Bonfire on 5th. November	Ps. 5	—	—			
Charges sending for the West Coast packet from the James and Mary at Covilon	1	4	—	Ps. 6	4	—

BOMBAY PRESIDENCY.

Allowance money to the Widow Burton and her Children	25	—	—
Pagodas	31	4	—

Randal Fowke Sea Customer, reads that Account for last month vizt. Sea Custrs. Account for December read.

Custom on goods imported	Ps. 202	9	72
Do. on grain	249	24	16
	Ps. 451	34	8

ballance due from him and now paid, is one thousand and Twenty six pagodas thirty one fanams and eighteen cash 1026. 31. 18.

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Land Custrs. Accot. for do. read.

Samuel Hyde Land Customer, reads that Account for last month vizt.

Choultry Customs .. .. Ps.	330	26	14
Ruby Brokerage	2	35	35
Registring slaves	11	4	—
Pags.	344	29	49

ballance due from him Three hundred thirty three pagodas seven fanams and forty nine cash 333. 7. 49 which is Carried to next Month's Account.

Storekeeper's Accot. for do. read.

Augustus Burton Storekeeper, reads that Account for last month ballance due from him one hundred seventy four pagodas twelve fanams and sixty cash 174. 12. 60, which is Carried to next month's Account.

Town Conicoplys duty collected at the Sea gate for a year, paid in.

Randal Fowke Receiver, pays into Cash, Three hundred seventy seven pagodas twenty three fanams and twenty five cash. 377. 23. 25 being the nett amount of the Town Conicoply's duty collected at the Seagate for one year.

Comps. Letter to the China Supra Cargoes, returned and sent home

Mr. Peers delivers to the Board a letter which came out of England directed to the China Supra Cargoes to be forwarded from hence, but coming too late for our China ship, It was delivered to Mr. William Mitchell Supra Cargo of the Bourchier Frigate bound to Malacca with directions to send it forward from thence if he overtook our Ship, or otherwise to send it by way of Manilha, but he arriving too late at Malacca for either of those Conveyances, has returned the letter to us.

Ordered that it be returned home to our Honble Masters by these Ships.

Money pd. in accot. the Esta. of Will. Skinner.

Richard English Trustee to the estate of William Skinner pays into Cash, five hundred ninety six pagodas twelve fanams and seventy four cash 596. 12. 74 in further account of the produce of that estate.

Several persons dischargd from the Military.

Petitions from Ralph Boulton, John Dunch, Henry Leadgold, George Waker, John Hess, William Curtis, Morgan Owen, Nicolas Powel, Solomon Joseph, and Joseph Sharpe, Soldiers requesting their discharge from the Military, having served their time out, which are Ordered to be Entered and the Men discharged, if They have served their time out, which the Major is ordered to examine into.

Resolved that no more of them be permitted to go home this year.

Capt. Pitt permitted to bring ashore some damaged handks.

Petition from Captain George Pitt, requesting leave to bring ashore some Ballasore Handkerchiefs to be washed, which have been damaged by Sea water, read and granted.

Capt. Lawson advices the Commencement of Ship Frances damora.

Captain John Lawson of the Frances writes in to the Board as ℔ Copy of his paper entered after Consultation, to advise that his Ship entered upon Demorage the 12th Instant.

Genl. letters, read, from West Coast.

General letters read vizt.

No. 8 received via Malacca from the Supra Visor and Council of Fort Marlbrough dated 24th. August, only givin gan account of the Arrival and dispatch of the Company's Vessels, and that the Country was in peace.

from Bengal

No. 9 from the President and Council of Fort William dated 10th. December 1728 to Accompany the Invoice and bills of Lading &ct. papers by the Frances.

from Vizagm.

No. 10 from the Provisional Chief and Council of Vizagapatam dated 2d. instant, accompanying their Bales by the same Ship.

[Offeri]ng Ketch taken [at] half freight for [bales] from Fort St. [David]. [and] the Ramah ordered up with [Remaini]ng.

The President Acquaints the Board that it is necessary to consider of means for bringing up the Fort St. David bales to put on board the latter ships and it was Considered whether it would be most for the Company's Interest to send the Frances down to Take them in, or to hire vessels to bring them up hither, and It was Agreed that the chance of the winds proving contrary after the war got down and thereby preventing her dispatch, was of more consequence than the difference of Freight, and as the Ramah is there already, and that Mr. Symonds offers the Board a ketch of his to bring up the remainder of the Bales at half Freight,

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Agreed that we do Accept thereof, and that We Write to Fort S[t]. David to send up the Ramah with all expedition, and to dispatch the Ketch with what more they have by the 25th. Instant at farthest.

Messieurs Burton, Peers and Torriano deliver to the Board the Standing orders Collected out of the Consultation books, letter books, and old book of Orders, which are now in force, and a report relating to them which is entered after this Consultation, and the Orders are laid on the Table for further perusal. [Colln. o]f Standing [orders] dd. in.

Nairo Kistnamah Chittee and Com Chittee, Farmers of the measuring duty pay into cash one hundred forty one pagodas twenty four fanams 141. 24. — for two months rent of that Farm due the 20th. Decem[r]. Two mos. rent of the measuring farm rent paid in.

Captain George Pitt delivers a request to the Board setting forth that his Ship is very light and therefore desiring we will put four or five hundred Bags of Salt petre on board her, which is Agreed to, and his request ordered to be entered. more Salt Petre given Captn. Pitt.

Ordered that M[r]. Samuel Hyde with the Gunner do go on board and muster the Hertford and George's Ships Companys, and also to take an account of their Guns powder, shot and other warlike stores. Europe ships to be Surveyed.

John Roach Paymaster and George Torriano Secretary requesting the payment of the sums paid into Cash on account John Packer deceased in order to take bills on the Court of Directors for those Sums and what more They have received, Ordered that it be Paid. the Credit of the Ests. of John Packer decd. pd. to the Trustees thereto.

Ja[s]. Macrae.
Rob[t]. Symonds.
J : Roach.
[*Lacuna*].
S[ll]. Hyde.
Aug : Burton.
Charles Peers.

Account of the Town Conicoplys duty for the year 1728.

1727/28 for	January	P[s].	85	22	55
	February		44	5	35
	March		28	33	20
1728	April		71	35	60
	May		149	14	65
	June		46	31	40
	July		23	10	40
	August		13	22	70
	September		32	2	10
	October		30	18	45
	November		—	35	15
	December		—	6	50
		Pag[s].	527	23	25

deduct the usual allowances viz[t].

Town Conicoplys	P[s]. 100				
Receivers	50				
			150	—	—
		Pagodas	377	23	25

To the Hon[ble] James Macrae Esq[r].

President and Governour &c[a]. Council of Fort S[t]. George.

Honble S[r]. & Sirs

Having about three hundred peices Ballasore handkerchiefs that received some damage by Saltwater in Shipping them, I acquiesce the favour of your hon[r]. &c[a]. permission to bring them ashore here to be washed and I do hereby promise to reship them on board the George.

I am with respect
Hon[ble] S[r]. & Sirs
Your most Obed[t]. Hum : Serv[t].
George Pitt.

Fort S[t]. George
13th. Jan[ry]. 1728.

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To the Honble James Macrae Esqr.

President and Governour &ct. Council of Fort St. George.

Honble Sr. & Sirs

This is to acquaint you that my Ship entered into demorage the twelfth day of this Instant.

I am
Honble Sr. & Sirs
Your most Obedt. Servant
John Lawson.

Fort St. George
January 13th. 1728.

To the Honble James Macrae Esqr.

President and Governour &cr. Council of Fort Sr. George.

Honble Sr. & Sirs

In obedience to your Honour's &ct. orders we have perused and examined the Letters from Europe and Consultation books to this time, as also the old book of standing orders & have carefully compared them, we now present your honour &ct. with Three sets of all the orders contained in them, which we now look upon to be in force. Your honour &ct. will find very few extracts from the Consultation books, and the reason is that when the Honble Court of Directors have approved of any order made here, we have entered their Approval of it instead of the order itself.

We are
Honble Sr. & Sirs
Your most Obedient Servants
Augustus Burton.
Charles Peers.
George Torriano.

Fort Sr. George
Janry. 13th. 1728.

To the Hono. James Macrae Esqr.

President and Governour &cr. Council of Fort Sr. George.

Honble Sr. & Sirs

Being Apprehensive of the Ship George of which I am Commander, being too light, obliges me to request your honr. will please to order four or five hundred bags of Salt Petre, to bring said ship down in the water, which will render her the more Capable to proceed on her intended voyage homewards for Europe.

I am
Honble Sr. & Sirs
Your most humble servant
George Pitt.

Fort Sr. George
Janry. 15o. 1728.

14 Ketch Whynot Thomas Gunnings Master, sailed for Fort St. David.

— Cumberland galley Thomas Fenton sailed for Bengal.

— dispatched letters to Fort St. David and Vizagapatam.

15 Received a general letter from the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort St. David.

16 received another from thence.

19 brigt. good hope Nakanah Syrang arrived from Ingeram and brôt. a general Letter from Mr. Sanderson.

— received a general Letter from Mr. Sanderson at Ingeram.

20 received a general letter from the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort St. David.

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Ship Margaret Anne Pocala Sidoo Syrang, sailed for Vizagapatam. —

Arrived the Whynot Thomas Gunnings Master from Fort St. David, and brought a general Letter from thence. 21.

Ship Fizeeraheemani Abdull Raheim Nocoda, arrd. from Malacca. —

Ship Devonshire Robert Milne, sailed for Bengal. 22.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

SATURDAY 25TH.

JAMES MACRAE ESQR. GOVERNOUR PRESIDENT.
ROBERT SYMONDS. JOHN ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE. SAMUEL HYDE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON. CHARLES PEERS.

Books for Europe dd. in.

The Accomptant, Export and Importwareho. keeper, Paymaster, Sea and Land Customer and Storekeeper deliver to the Board the several books to be sent to Europe and

Genl. books & papers, for Europe, signed.

the General Books and indents for Broadcloth, wares, and stores were signed, and all delivered the Secretary to be put in the packet.

Petition from owners of Brigt. Amity and a deposition of the Chief Mate sworn to &ca.

Petition from Messieurs Barrington & Parkes read and agreed to, praying that we will allow them to have attested Copies of such paragraphs of our Consultations and of our Letters received and sent, as relate to the brigantine Amity seized by the French at Don Mascarine, the said petition is entered after this Consultation as is also a deposition relating to the same affair now sworn to before the justices of Peace by Manoel Leibaut, for whom and the Master of the said brigantine They request our permission of Passage on these ships.

Export Warehs. Accot. for December, read.

Robert Symonds Export Warehousekeeper reads that Account for last month, ballance due to him eight pagodas two fanams and forty two Cash 8. 2. 42. which is now paid, as also

& money advd.

five hundred 500 pagodas which he requests for payment of the Painters.

Import Warehs. Accot. for December, read.

Robert Symonds Import Warehousekeeper reads that Account for last month, ballance due from him Two thousand and twenty three pagodas seven fanams and thirteen cash 2023. 7. 13. which he now Pays in.

peticons from several persons to go home.

Petitions from Messieurs Hugh Campbell, Heron Hart and John Whitlocke, for leave to go home on the George, read and granted.

Land Customer's balla. for December pd. in.

Samuel Hyde Land Customer, pays into cash Three hundred thirty three pagodas seven fanams and forty nine cash 333. 7. 49. ballance of his last month's account.

Town Conicoplys duty collected at ye. Choultry for a year paid in. also half of the produce of a Seizure at the Choultry.

He also pays twenty nine pagodas three fanams and three cash 29. 3. 3 the amount of the Town Conicoply's duty collected at the Choultry for twelve months, and ten pagodas ten fanams 10. 10.—being the Company's half of the produce of the Turbands and Sashes, reported in Consultation 18th. November to be Seized, and then ordered to be sold.

the Credit of the Account [of] Robert Dalzelle Esqr. paid the President.

The President produces powers of Attorney from Robert Dalzelle Esqr. to Collect in all effects due to the said Robert Dalzelle Esqr. and there being a ballance in his favour of fifty seven pagodas twenty four fans. and five Cash 57. 24. 5 he desires it may be paid him and Bills for that sum given him wch. is AGREED to.

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to write home not to send any more broad cloth Fine Aurora, and Indent for some Flints.

The Company having sent out Fifteen 15 bales of Fine Aurora Anno 1727 and twenty bales this year, which are not proper for the market, AGREED that we write to them not to send any more of that Sortment and also,

that we are in great want of Flints, of which tho indented for, we have not received for these two years past.

Accomptants' report for the past year, d^{d}. in.

The Accomptant delivers to the Board a report of the expences and revenues of the Coast for the year ending April 1728 by which it appears that the revenues are decreased this year Three hundred forty seven pagodas fourteen fanams and twenty nine cash 347. 14. 29. but that the Expences are also decreased seven hundred & ten pagodas thirty three fanams and fifty four Cash 710. 33. 54. and that the Washer's debt is decreased eight hundred and five pagodas one fanam and forty nine cash 805. 1. 49.

West Coast report d^{d}. in.

The Committee appointed to examine the West Coast Books and papers, report that there has nothing remarkable happened there between the departure of the Marlbrough and James and Mary.

M^{r}. Ralph Mansell recommended home.

M^{r}. Ralph Mansell continuing to behave himself very well in the several stations he has been employed in AGREED that we recommend him in our general Letter to the favour of our Honble Masters.

The Georges dispatch kept back,

Captain George Pitt acquainted the Board that hearing he was to be dispatched tonight he was come to beg it might be put off till Monday. the prodigious hurry he has been in ever since his Arrival having made it impossible for him to get his water and wood all aboard before that Time.

at the Captain's request.

AGREED therefore that the dispatches be not delivered till Monday.

Genl. Letters read.

General Letters read vizt.

four from ffort S^{t}. Dav^{d}.

N°. 11, 12, 14 and 15 from the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort S^{t}. David dated 13th. 14th. and two the 18th. Instant, the first of them is in answer to the paragraphs from England relating to their settlement, the Second enclosing the Cash accounts for November & December and desiring a Supply, the other two accompanying invoices and bills of Lading for bales on the Whynot Ketch.

one from Ingeram.

N°. 13 from M^{r}. Sanderson dated 31th. December to accompany the invoice and bill of Lading for Bales on the Good Hope brigantine and N°. 16 from him dated the 4th. January, advising that she sailed from Ingeram the 2^{d}. Instant.

Letter to F^{t}. S^{t}. David.

ORDERED that Ten thousand 10000 pagodas be sent to Fort S^{t}. David on Wednesday, and that Copy of their Letter in answer to the Company's, be sent in the Packet.

[Bill]s of Exchange [sig]ned.

Bills of exchange on the Honble Court of Directors payable at eight shillings ℔ pagoda and two months Sight are now signed vizt.

1st. 2^{d}. & 3^{d}. to the Heir or Heirs at Law to the Estate of the reverend Mr. William Leeke deceased, value of John Lauder and George Torriano, Administrators to the said estate	£ 719	13	6	1799	6	64
1st. 2^{d}. 3^{d}. to the order of William Colegrave of Lincolns inm Esqr. value of George Torriano, for acco^{t}. the estate of John Scattergood deceased	475	4	7¾	1188	2	70
1. 2. 3. to the order of Alexander & George Outchterlany value of Charles Peers	200	—	—	500	—	—

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1. 2. 3. to the order of M[rs]. Grace Orrill value of Charles Peers ..	£ 160	—	—	400	—	—
1. 2. 3. to the order of Richard Hodgson value of Charles Peers.	20	—	—	50	—	—
1. 2. 3. to the order of John Liell, value of Richard English..	160	—	—	400	—	—
1. 2. 3. to the order of George Drake value of Charles Peers and Charles Barrington	918	18	10	2297	12	60
1. 2. 3. to the order of John Eaton Dodsworth Esq[r]. value of Charles Peers	320	—	—	800	—	—
1. 2. 3. to the order of M[rs]. Jane Morse value of Charles Peers ..	40	—	—	100	—	—
1. 2. 3. to the Heir or Heirs at law to the estate of John Packer deceased value of John Roach and George Torriano, administrators to the s[d]. estate	327	15	11½	819	17	68
	£ 3341	12	11¼	8354	4	22

Ja[s]. Macrae.
Rob[t]. Symonds.
J: Roach.
[*Lacuna*].
S[ll]. Hyde.
Aug: Burton.
Charles Peers.

To the Hon̄ble James Macrae Esq[r].

President and Governour of Fort S[t]. George &c[t]. Councill.

Honble S[r]. & Sirs

The time for the departure of our homew[d]. bound Shipping now drawing near, and finding ourselves under a necessity of applying to Europe towards recovering damages from the French Company for their seizure and confiscation of our brigantine Amity, we presume to make a further Application to your Honour &c[t]. on that occasion.

We have been advised that it will be necessary and we accordingly desire your Hon[r]. &c[t]. permission to send home the Captain and the Chief Mate who is since returned from Mascarin, and that you will be pleased to admit the said Mate to make his Affidavit, here before you, as the rest have done.

We have also to request your Hon[r]. &c[t]. will grant us Copies of the Letters that have passed upon, and the several paragraphs of Consultation relating to this Affair and do humbly beg your Hon[r]. &c[t]. will be favourably pleased to recommend our case to the Hon̄ble Company whose protection must be of great service to us in Europe.

We are with much respect
Hon̄ble S[r]. & Sirs
Yo[r]. most Obed[t]. Humble Serv[ts].
Charles Barrington.
Samuel Parkes.

Fort S[t]. George,
20th January 1728.

Deposition of M[r]. Manoel Liebaut Chief Mate of the Brigantine Amity delivered in by him in the French Language.

Moy Manoel Leibaut natif de la ville de Pondicherry, aagé de trente huit ans, premier pilote du brigantin L'Amité commandé par le Capitaine John Widdrington pour le voyage de la Coste d'Afrique-declare avec serment sur les saintes Evangiles

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que lorsque nous sommes arrivez au port de N.O. dans l'isle de MAURICE, nous rencontrames le vaisseau l'Expédition commandé par Mr. Marsay qui venait aussi pour mouiller dans le meme port-et comme nous etions en doute de Mouillage, notre Capitaine m'envoya avec notre Canot a son bord prier le dit Capitaine de nous faire sinal avec son pavilhon lorsque serait mouillez, pour a seul fin que nous le suivions au Mouillage-le dit Capitaine Marsay me dit que l'aurait fait, et je retournay a notre bord rendre reponee a mon Capitaine et ainsi nous fumes mouillez a deux portes de cable du dit vaisseau-dans le meme instant on tira de terre un coup de Canon a bal, comme le second Capitaine de l'Expedition Mr. Billy etoit venu a notre bord de la part de Mr. Marsay l'offrir de descendre a terre ensemble, mais comme notre Capitaine se trouvoit pour lors un peu indispose, ne voulut que le lendem ain-le second Capitaine Mr. Billey voyant qu'on avoient tiré de Terre un coup de Canon s'en retourna a l' instant a son bord, et pour lors, notre Capitaine voyant cela descendit a terre et fut parler aux Messieurs ; *de Terre* lequel ne se pouvant bien se faire entendre, ne sachant pas la langue Française, revint a bord le meme jour et m'envoya le lendemain matin a terre pour parler aux Messieurs a terre pour avoir permission de faire notre eau, lequel me fut accorde par Mr. St. Martin qui pour lors etoit Chef dans la dite place et Mr. Brousse pour Lieutenant du Roy, a condition d'avoir deux soldats a bord de la chaloupe pour empecher que nous ne Commercions en aucune façon avec les Messieurs de terre sous peine de confiscation-nous obeimes punctuellement a cette ordre-je revins a bord porter la reponce a notre Capitaine, ou J'ay trouve a notre bord Messieurs Marigny et Bourgogne qui avait achete quelques choses avec notre Capitaine, comme un chapeau un pair de bas de soye, et une mouselyne-et avec moy dix paires de bas de cotton, nous ayant donné toute assurance que nous ne courions aucun risque puisque ces n'estoient que des hardes dont ils avoient besoin, et qu'ils se trouvoient nuds, et que ces n'estoient pas des Pacotilles qu'ils achetoient et lorsque ces Messieurs Marigny et Bourgogne s'en furent retourner a leur bord, alors vint Mr. Marsay Capitaine de l'Expedition a notre bord qui demandoit aussi a acheter quelques choses et qu'il se trouvoit nud. n'ayant pas de hardes a s'habiller-nous assurant que nous n'avions rien a craindre et que ce n'etoit pas des pacotilles qu'il voulait marchander, sur laquelle assurance notre Capitaine luy montra deux ou trois balles, et ayant veües les especes, il ne s'accomoda que d'une paire de soucie qui notre Capitaine luy a voulu en faire un present, comme il fit d'une boite de Thée et d'un pot d'achar mais il Accepta et paya la paire de soucie. et apres il me pria de luy ceder quelques paires de bas, que je luy ay bien voulu vendre, veüe les Attestations reiterez derechef que nous ne courions aucun risque-le dit Capitaine Marsay pria notre Capitaine et moy d'aller diner a son bord-nous y fumes. J'y rencontre un Officier a son bord nommé St. Pierre qui me demanda quelques Indiennes pour s'en faire une robe de chambre et que *j'avois* je n'avois rien a craindre de ce coté là, et qu'il avoit eut permission du Capitaine Marsay. et comme il ne luy etoit pas permit de venir a notre bord, il me pria de luy en emporter quelques unes a bord et aussi de Gingans-veüe que chacun de ces Messieurs avoient achetez quelques choses. Je fus a notre bord, ou j'ay porté avec moy deux indiennes, deux Guingans, et deux couvertures, et quelques chemises faites, le dit S^t^. Pierre s'accomoda des deux pieces d'Indiennes-le dit Capitaine Marsay ayant sceut cela trouva estomaquer et tres faché de ce que j'avois approté a son bord ces hardes. Je luy dit que le S^r^. S^t^. Pierre m'avoit dit qu'il avoit eut sa permission. enfin pour toute conclusion ille saissy due restant, et me dit qu'il auroit envoyez le soir a notre bord, mais il en agit tout autrement-car apres avoir soupé ensemble nous revimes a notre bord-le dit Capitaine Marsay envoya un billet a terre aux Messieurs less Chefs, dont je scai pas le contenu du dit billet avec ce qu'il m'avoit arrester. sur les dixieme heure ou onzieme du soir vint a notre bord M^r^. Brousse Lieutenant de la dite place avec des soldats et nous dit qu'il avoit ordre de laisser ces soldats a notre bord-cela nous etonna fort ; le lendemain matin mon Capitaine John Widdrington et moy nous fumes a terre pour parler aux Messieurs les Officiers lequelles nous receumes tres bien-leur ayant fait entendre nos raisons, ils s'etonnoirent ne la noire traison de Mr. Marsay—on fit debarquer a l'instant les soldats la meme matinee, et nous donna permission de partir lorsque nous aurions voulu—nota que quelques jours avant, notre Capitaine aurait proposé a Monsieur

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St. Martin s'il vouloit luy acheter le Ris qu'il avoit a son bord ou autre chose convenable pour la place. mais le dit Mr. St. Martin luy repondit qu'il ne luy etoit pas permit veüe les orders precis de la Compagnie sur cela.

le Lendemain sur la onzieme heure du Martin, ayant pris Conge des Messieurs a terre le vent nous etant favorable du N.E. nous Appareillames pour continuer notre voyage pour lors, le navire Français tira sur nous un coup de Canon a bal qui nous donna a tous l'etonnement ne sachant pas la raison-notre Capitaine croyoit que c'estoit que nous nous engagions sur quelques dangers faisans la route due N.O. Je luy repondis que non, sinon que cela vouloit dire qu'il falloit que nous mouillames. nous virames de bord pour revenir au mouillage, mais nous nous trouvames engagez sur les reeifs. enfin ayant eté degagez nous sommes venus mouillez par les 22 brasses. nous Envoyames notre Canot a son bord pour scavoir le sujet. lequel fut arrester de force a son bord, jusqu' environ les six heures du soir. pour lors, il le renvoya et nos gens de Canot nous dit qu'il ne falloit pas partir sinon ensemble.

Comme pendant notre sejour au port de N.O. pour faire notre eau notre Capitaine John Widdrington avait dit au Capitaine Marsay que s'il voulait nous aurions eté ensemble en Compagnie a l'isle de Mascaim ce qu'il offrit de bon cœur, nous crumes alors que ce fut pour cela qu'il avoit tiré sur nous-sur la nuite fermante, le dit vaisseau l'Expedition appareilla et vint nous ranger et nous dit qu'il auroit envoyer un Officier a notre bord pour que nous fumes Ensemble-nous luy repondimes que nous n'avions que faire de cela et que nous etions capable d'aller sans l'officier. nonobstant il envoya son second Capitaine Mr. Billey avec un pilote et quatre Soldats. nous appareillames aussi le 17. December 1727. nous fumes mouillez le 23eme du dit en rade de St. Paul-le dit vaisseau l'expedition y mouilla avant nous car les Calmes et les Courans nous fit depasser la rade Il vint a notre bord une pirogue de terre avec un Officier et huit Soldats qui dit a notre Capitaine qu'il falloit qu'il fut a terre avec son passeport-sur laquelle ordre se debarqua notre Caitaine, et nous fumes mouillez le Lendemain 23e en rade—ou j'ay receu un billet de mon Capitaine que les Messieurs Villarmoy et Lanux venait prendre possession du navire et que nos Gens n'avions que faire de rester a bord a leurs service-je fus alors a terre, ou j'ay Appris de Mr. Dumas Directeur que le Navire etoit confisqué, J'ay retourna a notre bord le lendemain matin pour debarquer mon Coffre et mes affaires—on tira de terre un Coup de Canon qui etoit Le sinal de l'approche de l'Ouragan. nous fumes obligez d'Appareiller apres que ces Messieurs " Villarmoy et Lanux furent a terre-ainsy fit de meme l'Expedition. pour s'en retourner a l'isle de France ou Maurice nous essuyames pendant deux jours la Tempeste, et apres plusieurs jours de voyage nous nous rendimes a l'isle de Maurice. ou nous avons trouvez l'Expedition qu'il y avoit environ deux jours qu'il y etoit arrivé-nous Amarames le brigantin et sejournames au dit port quelque tems-sur notre depart pour Mascaim le Sieur Flock Garde Magazin, vint a notre bord pour faire la visite des balles et Cargaison de notre Brigantin sans les ouvrir sinon les marquer de la marque de la Compagnie de France sur tous les balles et autres merchandises, et fit l'ouverture des Coffres des Officiers et Matelots, et mis les sceaux de la Compagnie sur tous les Panots-nous retour names avec l'Expedition a Mascaim ou l'on déchargea le brigantin on le on le chargea de Pierre pour luy servir de l'este.

de plus, je declare, que.

la pote de l'Arraque de Batavia a eté vendu a une piastre d'Espagne.

le pot de Bierre a demy piastre.

la livre de sucre en poudre @	10. sols.
la livre de sucre cendie @	15 do.
la pipe a fumer a real demy la piece..	
la piece de soucie @	7 piastre.
la piece de Cottany	4 do.
les pieces de Guinés fines blanc @	15 do. jusqu'a 21. piast.
la Chite fine @	7 do.
la Chite, seconde sorte	5 do.
la Derniere sorte @	3 do.
Chapeau unie sans galon	7 do.

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Je declare encore, que le Lendemain de l'Ouragan on avoient dechargé de notre brigantin par ordre de Messieurs Villarmoy et Lanux quasy toutes nos sucres qui nous avions a notre bord hors trois ou quatres qui a resté a notre bord-comme de meme du savon qui a été tout debarqué hors deux sacs-on auroit continuer de dechar ger toute la charge sinon que l'Ouragan survint qui nous obligea de sortir de la rade pour aller a Maurice nous mettre a l'Abry.

de plus je dis que Mr. Dumas m'a donné une une Letter d'exchange a prendre a Pondicherry de contenu de ma petite pacotille avec deux mois de Gages, laquelle a monté a Cens nonante et six pagodas et dix sept fanams, ayant embarqué avec moy de Madras pour la somme de cens et vingt cinque pagodas.

Je Declare et Certifie le tout icy mentionné est vray dont je pourraz en faire serment—en foy de quoy J'ay Signé ;de mon sein Accoutumé—fait a Madras ce 31eme. de Janvier 1729.

MANOEL LIEBAUT.

FORT ST. GEORGE.
25o. JANUARY 1728/9.

Jurat coram nobis.
JAMES MACRAE.
ROBERT SYMONDS.
JOHN ROACH.
RANDAL FOWKE.
SAMUEL HYDE.

TO THE HONBLE JAMES MACRAE ESQR.

PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR &Cr. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

THE HUMBLE PETITION OF HUGH CAMPBELL

SHEWETH

that your Petitioner's affairs calling him to Great Brittain, he requests your Honr. &ct. permission to Take his passage on the George and as in duty bound &ct.

TO THE HONBLE JAMES MACRAE ESQR.

PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR &CT. COUNCILL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

THE HUMBLE PETITION OF HERON HART

SHEWETH

That your Petitioner's Affairs Calling him to Europe he desires your Honour &ct. will give Captain Pitt Liberty to take him and his necessaries on board.

and as in duty bound—&ct.

TO THE HONBLE JAMES MACRAE ESQR.

PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR &CT. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

THE HUMBLE PETITION OF JOHN WHITLCCKE

SHEWETH

That your Petitioners relations having wrote him to return to England and he having obtained your Honour's &ct. permission to lay down the Company's service to that purpose, he now requests your Leave to go home on the George,

and, as in duty bound &ct.

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To the Honble James Macrae Esqr.

R esident and Governour of Fort S^t. George &c^t. Council.

Honble S^r. & Sirs,

In pursuance to an order from the Honble Court of Directors, on the Close of the books of this place and it's Subordinates on this Coast, I am to lay before you the yearly expence, which I shall now do, and Compare it with that of the proeceeding year's, whereby your Honour &c^t. may (in what particulars) See it encreased or decreased, and be able to Judge whether any part thereof can be saved to the Honble Company.

For the year		ending 1727.	ending 1728.	encrease.	decrease.
					Pa. fa. Ca.
Charges Garrison..	Pag^s.	15876 16 64	16439 34 45	563 17 61	
Charges Hospital..		838 30 33	826 19 9	..	12 11 24
Repairs of Fortifications ..		1486 6 35	1020 9 65	..	465 32 60
Charges Cattle ..		800 — —	800 — —	..	..
Charges extraordinary		161 17 —	839 29 10	677 12 10	..
Charges Diet ..		7000 — —	7000 — —	..	..
Account Salary ..		3390 35 76	3078 20 64	..	312 15 12
Charges General ..		6493 22 11	6210 16 2	..	282 6 9
Account Presents.		893 3 —	330 15 20	..	562 23 60
	P^s.	36940 23 59	36546 — 55	..	1635 16 75
				Encrease	1240 29 71

The expence of this Settlement decreased this year. Pagod^s. 394 23 4

which is in every article, except Charges Garrison, and Charges extraordinary, the encrease of the former is occasioned by a greater number in the Military the last year from the Supplies from Europe in the months of August and September, the latter by the charge of Cleaning the Tanks in the Washing Town &c^t. in the months of May and October, and the charge of bringing up M^r. Vezian and Peddu, with the reward that was given to the person who Apprehended Peddu .—

brought over expence decreased .. P^s. 394 23 4

The expence at Fort S^t. David for the year ending 1728.

Account Salary	P^s.	850 9 73	
Charges extraordinary ..		449 20 35	
Fortifications & repairs ..		44 15 —	
Charges Cattle		600 — —	
Charges Diet		3056 — —	
Charges Garrison ..		13399 2 44	
Charges Hospital ..		252 9 4	
Peons & Servants wages ..		3222 28 —	
Presents		512 8 —	
Charges general.. ..		2135 20 74	
	P^s.	24522 5 70	
the expence for the year ending 1727		24222 28 24	
The expence of Fort S^t. David encreased this year which is chiefly occasioned by an encrease in the Military, by the Supplies received the last year.		..	299 13 56
The expence at Vizagapatam & Ingeram for the year ending 1727 amounted to		6616 32 17	
D^o. at Madapollum ..		381 3 63	
	P^s.	6998 — —	

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for the year ending April 1728.

Account Stores ..	37 18 78		
Accot. fortifications ..	232 3 61		
Charges Diet	668 11 —		
Charges Garrison ..	1765 24 —		
Chas. extraordry. ..	471 — 39		
Accot. repairs	54 3 44		
Accot. gardens	26 20 8		
Account Salary	452 24 47		
Accot. presents	349 11 38		
Accot. wax	45 18 —		
Servants wages	1132 16 54		
Charges General ..	430 11 43		
	Ps. 5665 20 12		
Expended at Madappollum by Mr. Sanderson to the 1st. of March.. ..	568 31 65		
do. at Ingeram from 1st. March to ulto. April ..	147 31 60		
		6382 11 57	
The expence at Vizaga. Ingeram and Madapollum decreased			615 24 23
The expence of this Settlement and all Its subordinates on this coast Decreased			Ps. 710 33 51

Thus having Given your Honour &ct. an Account of the Honble Company's annual expence on this Coast, I shall proceed to lay before you an Account of their Customs here and revenues at Fort St. David.

The Sea Customs for the year ending April 1728 amount to		Ps. 32064 21 62	
for the year endg. April 1727		31920 11 16	
encrease in this revenue ..			Ps. 144 10 46
The Custom on Coinage for the year endg. April 1728. amount to		Ps. 5981 20 18	
for the year endg. April 1727		3217 32 40	
encrease in this revenue ..			2763 23 58
			Pags. 2907 34 24
The Land Customs for the year endg. April 1727 amotd. to		Ps. 9743 11 46	
for the year endg. April 1728 vizt.			
Collected by the Land Custr. ..	4846 1 79		
Customs on the Merchas. cloth turned out	1827 12 38		
		6673 14 37	
decreased in this revenue			3069 33 9

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		Ps. 161 34 65
The Customs here, decreased this year	...	...
The revenues at Fort St. David for the year ending April 1727 amotd. to	Ps. 10486 6 50	
for the year ending April, 1728	10300 27 6	
The revenues at Fort St. David decreased this year	..	185 15 44
The Customs here, and revenues at Fort St. David decreased		Ps. 347 14 29

The revenues at Vizagapatam being generally the same, I shall not remark thereon.

Moortee &ct. Washers, their debt is decreased this year, eight hundred and five pagodas one fanam and forty nine cash 805. 1. 49.

I am with great respect,
Honble Sr. & Sirs
Your most Obedient
Humble Servant
Robert Symonds
Accompt.

Fort St. George
10th. January 1728.

To the Honble James Macrae Esqr.
President & Governour of Fort St. George &ct. Councill.

Honble Sr. & Sirs

Being appointed by an order of Council dated the 16th. December to peruse the West Coast books and papers and make a report of such particular occurrences as deserve the Immediate notice of this board, we have accordingly Inspected into the Accounts and transactions at Fort Marlbrough, and find that there has nothing extraordinary happened there, since the dispatch of the Marlbrough, from thence, but what They have given a full account of in their general Letter to the Honble Court of Directors, and in another to the Honble President and Council here, whether it may be worth your Honours &ct. while to take notice of Mr. Lennox his petition to stay at Marlbrough to settle Mr. Carnegies accounts, and the debate amongst them about sending Mr. Gee to Mocomoco, we Submit to your Consideration,

and are,
Honble Sr. & Sirs
Yor. most Faithfull Humble servants
Robert Symonds.
Randall Fowke.
Samuel Hyde.

Fort St. George
January 1728.

At a Consultation

Present

James Macrae Esqr. Governour President. Monday 27th.
Robert Symonds. John Roach.
Randal Fowke. Samuel Hyde.
Augustus Burton. Charles Peers.

Petition from Leach Wildbore read and granted requesting permission of Passage on the Hertford to Great Britain. Mr. Wildbore permitted to go home.

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Gen[l]. Letter home signed

General letter to the Hon̄ble Court of Directors designed ℔ ships Hertford and George dated this day, as also the Captain's dispatches read and Signed.

bill of Exchange, signed.

Bills of exchange to the order of Robert Dalzelle Esq[r]. dated 25th. Inst[t]. payable at two months Sight and eight shillings ℔ pagoda signed for £ Sterl[s]. 22. 13. $4\frac{1}{4}$ or Pag[s]. fifty six, twenty four fanams and five Cash received of James Macrae Esq[r].

Ja[s]. Macrae.
Rob[r]. Symonds.
J : Roach.
[*Lacuna*].
S[l.l]. Hyde.
Aug : Burton.
Charles Peers.

27. Brigantine Good hope Nueana Syrang, sailed for Ingeram.

28. Ship Hertford and George belonging to the Hon̄ble Company sailed for Great Brittain.

— dispatched a letter from the Secretary to the Deputy Govern[r]. and Council of Fort S[t]. David.

29. sent Ten thousand pagodas to Fort S[t]. David overland, with Twenty Peons, and a general Letter with them.

30. the Whynot ketch Thomas Gunnings Master sailed for Vizagapatam.

February 1. received a general Letter from Fort S[t]. David, and dispatched another thither, and to Ingeram.

2. Ship William Peter Bell Master, sailed for Bengal.

At a Consultation

Present

Monday 3[D].

James Macrae Esq[r]. Governour President.
Robert Symonds. John Roach.
Samuel Hyde.
Augustus Burton. Charles Peers.

Gen[l]. letter from Fort S[t]. David, read.

General Letter N[o]. 17 from the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort S[t]. David dated the 30th. January, enclosing Invoice and bill of lading for fifteen bales on board the Ramah, and enclosing an indent for wares and stores which is read, and

Stores to be sent thither

Ordered that the several particulars be sent down by the first conveyance.

M[r]. Turner petitions for his gratuity.

request from M[r]. Nathaniel Turner read, and ordered to be entered, desiring payment of the gratuity ordered him from England.

[Re]asons for not paying it.

Ordered that the Secretary do acquaint him that the President and M[r]. Pitt having in consequence of the Commission of enquiry sent out by the Hon̄ble Court of Directors, dismissed him from the Company's Service, we have resolved to detain that money till further orders from England.

Report of the Peons

Report of the Committee appointed to inspect the List of Peons and see whether any and which may be reduced, delivered in, read and ordered to be entered after Consultation.

upon debating hereon, it was resolved to strike off from the roll,

the Peon at the washingtown (the Warehousekeeper being allowed Peons for that purpose).

Several

Three of the seven Peons at Egmore, which are kept there to look after the house.

Two of the four Peons that look after the Fort Lodgings.

the Two Peons at Chipauke.

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all the Twelve which go the rounds and keep watch in the white Town, there being Talliars who are obliged to do that duty, and

Peons

the four Peons allowed the Companys Merchants.

Discharged.

the total deduction hereby is twenty four peons, and

the report Taking notice of the negligence of the Peons belonging to the President and those which belong to the Mettahs, Batteries and Outguards, ORDERED that the Paymaster do strictly examine into that affair and dismiss all them who shall not constantly attend their duty on the several posts assigned them.

the Paymr. to examine whether the Peons to attend the Governr. and those at the Mettahs, do attend.

ORDERED further that The Tomtom be beat and notice put up in all the public places, that the Company will not allow the Gate or Mettah Peons, or any other of the watching Peons, to take any Custom on Bratty, greens, fish or other provisions, and that whoever is injured in that manner shall upon complaint have reparation, and the Peons shall be dismissed the Service.

no juncan or Custom allowed the Peons of wch. public notice will be given at the gates, & the Tomtom to be beat.

Petition from Richard Bagge read and granted, praying his discharge from the Military, upon paying the usual sum for it.

Serjt. Bagge's petition granted.

Charles Peers Rental General and Scavinger presents a new rent roll for the year, ending 31st. August 1727 which is signed and the amount of the rents to be Collected by the Scavinger and Rental General, are Vizt.

Rental General & Scavinger delivers in a new rent roll

on accôt. quit rents to ult°. August 1727	Ps.	2603	3	—
on accôt. Scavinger's duty to ult°. Augt. 1727		1116	20	—
Butteca rent and Shroff duty to ult°. August 1728		320	—	—
the Company's old garden to 14th. April 1729		351	—	—
garden lett to Sebastian Chanda to 25th. March 1729		70	—	—
	Pags.	4460	23	—

at the same time he delivers in his Account Current for the last year bad debts wrote off as follows vizt.

and his Account for the last year,

on accôt rent roll	Ps.	8	4	10
on accôt. Scavinger's duty		3	22	70
	Pags.	11	27	—

which accounts, together with his report of his proceedings in Collecting this revenue, are entered after this Consultation.

and

He also pays in the following sums, being the ballances in his hands. vizt.

pays in his Ballances.

on accôt. quit rents	Ps.	466	24	70
on accôt. Scavinger's duty		248	—	15
produce of grounds sold, because the Owners would not pay their rents, & therefore ordered in Consultation to be sold at public outcry		299	27	—
total pagodas		1004	16	5

The Accomptant reads the journal parcels for the month of December.

Journal parcels for December, read.

The Pay Master requesting money to Defray charges of Garrison, ORDERED that Two Thousand five hundred 2500 pagodas be advanced on that account.

Ps. 2500 advd. the Paymaster.

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Prices of Grain fixed, and orders about it.

There having been imported this year pritty large quantities of grain from the Northward, notwithstanding which the price holds up at Ten 10 mercalls ℘ pagoda for paddy, and Scarce any procureable even at that rate, especially for the poorer sort of people, the President proposed to the Board to take into their consideration the settling of the prices of Grain for the ensuing season and after some time spent in considering thereon it was Agreed and Ordered that the prices of Grain be as follows.

Paddy Course Thirteen 13 Mereall for a pagoda.
Paddy Fine—Twelve 12 ditto.
Natcheny—Seven 7 ditto.
Riee one and a quarter $1\frac{1}{4}$ measures for a fanam.

notes to be Affixed at the gates.

which prices the Secretary is ordered to affix at the Gates with the following resolves, vizt.

that whoever shall sell at a dearer rate than above specified, shall upon proof thereof made be fined at the pleasure of the Governour and Council and

and

that the person who shall make proof of his having paid more than the above prices, shall have his money returned him, and shall also keep the grain he has purchased to himself

that whoever has more rice or Paddy than is necessary for his usual annual expence, shall be obliged to sell and whoever shall deny or conceal such overplus upon proof thereof made, it shall be Confiscated to the use of the Company.

the Tomtom to be beat.

Ordered that the above be also signified by beating the Tomtom.

Ja^s. Macrae.
Robt. Symomds.
J : Roach.
Randall Fowke.
S^ll. Hyde.
Aug : Burton.

To the Ho$\tilde{n}$ble James Macrae Esqr.
President and Governour of Fort S^t. George &c^t. Council.

Ho$\tilde{n}$ble S^r. & S^rs.

Having been advised in my Letters from England which I received by our last Ships that the Hoñble the Court of Directors have been pleased to order me a gratuity of Two Thoasand pagodas, I therefore request your payment of the said sum to me, who am most respectfully

Hoñble Sir & S^rs.
Your most Obed^t. Hum̃. Servt.
Nathaniel Turner.

Fort S^t. George
3^d. Feb^ry. 1728.

Hoñble S^r. & S^rs.

Having received orders from this board carefully to Inspect the List of Peons and Servants, and see if possible any reduction can be made in that Account, we have enquired into the number of Peons and to what employs they are appointed and Stationed, and now lay before you such observations as have occurred in this Affair.

Fifty nine 59 Peons are appointed to attend on the Hoñble Governour which Considering the great and constant business he has, are few enough but we cannot help Taking notice at the same time that They are very negligent & seldom above a quarter part of them are in waiting, which gives us too much reason to Suspect that one quarter of that number are Imaginary, and only Faggots, which the head-Peon turns to his peculiar advantage.

The Second and the rest of the Gentlemen of the Council, the Mint Master, Secretary, Doctors and two Officers have as few attendance as can possibly be expected, considering the Charges they have upon their hands, and the Constant business They are obliged to go through.

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We proceed now to offer to your Hon^r^. &c^t^. Consideration the number of Peons appointed to watch at the Batteries and Mettahs, most of whom we suppose are kept there to prevent clandestine importations of goods but the Land Customer assures us that upon taking his rounds he has seldom found them upon duty, and when the reason was demanded, They answered that the Chief Peon had drawn them off to attend upon the Governour which we are sure he need not have done had he Constantly so many in pay as he brings to the Muster Table.

We cannot Conceive what necessity there is of seven Peons at Egmore Fort, and one at the Washing Town, when four are Sufficient, and the Warehousekeeper is allowed Peons for that Purpose.

We Cannot but Think that eighteen Peons at the nine gates are necessary, but at the same time we must represent them rather as a nuisance than any thing else Since They Think it as much their right to Take Toll upon all Greens, Bratty, wood and fish, as much as if there was really a legal Tax Laid upon provisions, and This lies very heavy upon the poorer Sort of people.

Upon the List We find four Peons to look after the Governour's Lodgings in the Fort which seems utterly Unnecessary, considering that there is a Sentry posted at the Stair's foot.

What reasons there is for keeping Two peons at Chepauck, we cannot Learn any better than that the Chief Peon Tells us it was also so.

We likewise find Twelve peons placed as a Guard to the White Town, but whether there is any necessity for that, we Submit, to your Hon^r^. &c^t^. Consideration.

As reducing expences is so much recommended, the Company's Merchants may dispense with two Peons allowed to each of them.

the Chubdars, Moldars, Drummers; Pipers, &c^t^. State attendance are so absolutely necessary to support the dignity of the Governour and honour of the Company among these Country people that the number cannot be diminished without apparent detriment.

ROBERT SYMONDS.
JOHN ROACH.
SAMUEL HYDE.

TO THE HON^BLE^ JAMES MACRAE ESQ^R^.

PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR OF FORT S^T^. GEORGE &C^T^. COUNCIL.

THE HUMBLE PETITION OF RICHARD BAGGE

SHEWETH

That your Petitioner having Freinds in this Country to do for him, humbly begs that your Hon^r^. will be pleased to discharge him, your Petitioner being willing to pay the Honble Company what your honours Think proper. In doing this Act of Charity your petitioner will Think himself

as in duty bound,
ever to pray &c^t^.

TO THE HON^BLE^ JAMES MACRAE ESQ^R^.

PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR OF FORT S^T^. GEORGE &C^T^. COUNCILL.

HON^BLE^ S^R^. & S^RS^.

I herewith present your Honour &c^t^. the Accounts Current of the Honble Company's Quit rent & Scavinger's duty, together with such other rents and Farms as have fallen under my Care since the first of April last. Your Honour &c^t^. are so well acquainted with the reasons for my not producing these Accounts more early that I presume I need not here repeat them.

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The rigorous methods that have been us'd for the receiving this part of the Company's revenue have reduced the bad debts so often complained of, almost to nothg. vizt. on acco. Quit rent, eight pagodas four fanams & ten Cash and on acco. of Scavinger's duty three pagodas & twenty two fanams and seventy Cash, of which six pagodas twenty four fanams is the Company's Indulgence to some Soldiers and Gunners the residue, five pagodas and three fanams falls on four and twenty shops and sheds, which have perishd and been washed away by the rains; thus the whole is no more than eleven pagodas and twenty seven fanams. I cou'd wish my Concern to prevent the Honble Company's complaints has not overlooked many real objects of their Charity. I think I have taken no less than a hundred and fifty four doors from the houses, several apparel, bedding, and the like from those who were otherwise unable to pay the Tax imposed on them by the Committee appointed for that purpose how far this may answer our Honble Master's design or suit the Company's Interest I must leave to your Honr. &ct. determination; but This must be the case if They will have what They call, no bad debts.

I also pay into the Honble Company's Cash Two hundred ninety nine pagodas and twenty seven fanams, being the amount of the empty grounds and houses forfeited, and sold by order of Consultation for the payment of the Tax Set by the former Rentrolls.

I also present a new rentroll for the last year wherein the quit rent amounts to Two Thousand six hundred & three pagodas and three fanams 2603. 3. — and the Scavinger's duty eleven hundred and sixteen pagodas and twenty fanams. 1116. 20. — the whole being Three thousand seven hundred and nineteen pagodas and twenty three fanams. 3719. 23. — which I hope will meet with your Approbation.

The other rents that are likely to fall under my Charge, are vizt.

The Butteca rent and Shroff duty farmed out to Vencaty Narrain payable in quarterly paymts. for	Ps. 320 ℔' Annu.	
The rent of the Company's old garden farmed to Sabastian Chanda payable 25th. March	70	do.
The rent of the Company's old garden farmed to Mahadeu Undu payable in half yearly payments for	351	do.

in all which, I shall endeavour to approve myself.

Honble Sr. & Sirs
Your most Faithfull hum. Servt.
Charles Peers.

Fort Sr. George
Febry 3d. 1728.

1728	Mr. Charles Peers Rental Generall Dr.	Ps.				Per Contra Cr.	Ps.		
April 1.	To ballance of the quit rent when Mr. Morse delivered up to me	Ps. 2043	30	—	Octr. 28	by Cash paid in Consult. accot. Quit rent	Ps. 1000	—	—
					Novr. 17	by do. paid do.	550	—	—
	To six months butteca rent and shroff duty do..	160	—	—		by do. accot. Company's old garden	351	—	—
						by do. Butteca rent and Shroff duty ..	160	—	—
	To one year's rent of the Company's old garden lett Mahadeu Undu ..	351	—	—	Febry. 3	by Charges for five months	18	2	—
						by bad debts ..	8	4	10
							Ps. 2087	6	10
						by ballance paid this day in Consultation.	467	23	70
	Pagodas ..	2554	30	—		Pagodas ..	2554	30	—

Errors excepted. In Fort Sr. George Febry. 3d. 1728.

Examined
℔ Robt. Symonds.
Acct.

Charles Peers
Rental Genl.

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Charles Peers Scavinger Dr.

1728 April 1	To ballance of the Scavinger's duty when Mr. Morse delivered up to me	Ps. 648	6	—

Per Contra Cr.

Novr. 17	by Cash paid in Consultation ..				Ps. 200	—	—
	by Charges feeding Buffaloes, &ct.— five months ..	Ps. 146	18	75			
	allowances for do.	50	—	—			
					196	18	75
	by bad Debts				3	22	70
					Ps. 400	5	65
Febry. 3	by ballance				248	—	15
	Pagodas ..				648	6	—

Errors excepted in Fort St. George. Febry. 3d. 1728.

Examined ℔ Charles Peers.
℔ Robt. Symonds.
Acct.

Ship Hossainbux Nurela Nocodah, Arrived from Ballasore. 7.

received a general Letter from Fort St. David. ..

Sloop Ramah arrived with bales from thence. 8.

received overland a packet from Vizagapatam. 12.

At a Consultation

Present

James Macrae Esqr. Governour President. — Friday the 14th.
Robert Symonds. John Roach.
Randall Fowke. Samuel Hyde.
Augustus Burton.

The President reads the account of the Honble Company's Cash for last month ballance remaining, one hundred forty two thousand six hundred fifty four pagodas eighteen fanams and thirty five cash 142654. 18. 35. *Cash Account for January, read.*

Samuel Hyde Land Customer, reads that account for last month vizt. *Land Customer's Account for January, read.*

Choultry Customs	Ps. 414	17	39
Ruby brokerage	14	12	12
Registring Slaves	5	12	—
Pags.	434	5	51

ballance due from him four hundred twenty two pagodas nineteen fanams and fifty one cash 422. 19. 51.

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bills of exchange signed.

Bills of exchange dated this day payable by the Honble Court of Directors at eight shillings ℔ pagoda and two months sight, Signed vizt.

	£	s.	d.	Pa.	fa.	Ca.
1st. 2d. 3d. to the order of Thomas Wright, value of Charles Peers ..	18	4	6½	45	20	40
1. 2. 3. to the order of Hugh Boyd value of Hugh Kennedy	38	8	—	96	—	—
1. 2. 3. to the order of Elisabeth Hills, value of Messrs. Berriman and Saunders	29	12	—	74	—	—
1. 2. 3. to the order of Christopher Fullagar value of Rebecca Fullagar	60	—	—	150	—	—
1. 2. 3. to the order of George Sitwell, value of Richard English	31	9	½	78	22	55
1. 2. 3. to the order of Mary Elisabeth and Eleanor Oadham, value of Richard English	95	3	1½	237	32	4
	272	16	8½	682	3	19

Genl. Letter home &ct. papers signed.

General Letter to the Honble Court of Directors, designd by Ships Frances and James and Mary, as also a letter to St. Helena, and the Captain's dispatches-all dated this day and Triplicate of our Letter by the Hertford read and Signed.

Jas. Macrae.
Robt. Symonds.
J: Roach.
Randall Fowke.
Sll. Hyde.
Aug: Burton.

17. Ships Frances Captain John Lawson, and James and Mary Captain John Balchen, sailed for Great Brittain, as did

— the Ramah Sloop, for Fort St. David.

— Received a General Letter from Fort St. David.

18. Received a general Letter from Anjengo, overland.

20. Dispatched a general Letter to Fort St. David.

23. Sloop Mary Buoyer James Mall Master, imported from Bengal with Salt Petre and gunnies and brought a general Letter from the President and Council there.

At a Consultation

Present

Monday 24th.

James Macrae Esqr. Governour President.
Robert Symonds. John Roach.
Randall Fowke. Samuel Hyde.
Augustus Burton.

Mint Account Current for January read, and money paid in.

The President reads the Mint Account Current for last month, ballance remaining Twelve thousand four Hundred thirty four rupees and one Annae 12434. 1. — which are carried to next month's Account, and one hundred eighty one pagodas thirty one fanams and five cash 181. 31. 5 which are now paid in.

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Robert Symonds Import Warehousekeeper, reads that account for the last month, ballance due from him four thousand four hundred forty one pagodas, thirty three fanams and twenty seven cash 4441. 33. 27 of which he Pays in Three Thousand 3000 pagodas. Import Warehouse Acct. for do. read, and money paid in.

John Roach Paymaster, reads that account for last month vizt. Paymrs. Account for do. read, and the ballance paid him.

Charges Garrison	Ps.	1371	35	10
Charges Cattle		66	24	—
Charges Hospital		47	—	—
Charges Extraordinary		—	28	—
Bombay Presidency		25	—	—
Charges General		464	8	20
Repairs of Fortifications		373	28	45
Charges Diet		583	12	—
	Pags.	2932	27	75

ballance due to him and now paid, four hundred thirty two pagodas, twenty seven fanams and seventy five cash 432. 27. 75.

The extraordinary expence in this month's Acco. arises from the following particulars vizt. Extra expence in the Paymrs. Account exd.

CHARGES EXTRAORDINARY.				
Boathire going off to muster the Hertford and George's Men, Survey their Ammunition Stores &ct.	Ps.	—	28	—
BOMBAY PRESIDENCY				
Allowance money to the widow Burton, and her Children		25	—	—
	Pagodas	25	28	—

Randall Fowke Sea Customer, reads his Account for last month vizt. Sea Custrs. Account for January, read.

Custom on goods Imported	Ps.	2538	10	24
Do. on grain		4009	9	8
Anchorage		36	—	—
	Pags.	6583	19	32

ballance due from him Six thousand five hundred fifty one pagodas, twenty fanams and thirty two cash 6551. 20. 32 which are carried to next month's Account.

Samuel Hyde Land Customer, pays into Cash, four hundred twenty two pagodas nineteen fanams and fifty one Cash 422. 19. 51 ballance of his last month's Account. Land Customer's balla. paid in.

Augustus Burton Storekeeper, reads his account for the month of January ballance due from him, three hundred twenty three pagodas, twenty seven fanams & thirty nine cash 323. 27. 39 which are Carried to the next month's Account. Storekeeper's Account for January, read.

General Letters read vizt. Genl. Letters read Vizt.

No. 18 and 20 from the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort St. David, the first dated 3d. February advises the receipt of the money sent them, and the death of Ensign Eccles, and Accompanies Copy of their Paymaster's Accounts, the other dated the 15th. February promises that They will put a proportionable number of Threads more into their Salampores when They enlarge the bredth, and that they will be carefull in thr. sorting, proposes to stay till the arrival of the Negapatam Ships before They purchase Timbers for their new Barracks, advises their having released the persons Confined in the Fort, in order to enable them the better to pay their debts, encloses their Cash Account for January and advises the receipt of the Commission for Serjeant Taylor. Two from Fort St. Davd.

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one from Vizagapatam.

No. 19 dated 16th. January last from the Provisional Chief and Council of Vizagapatam advises They had been obliged to make a present to their Nabob on his being confined for Life, and accompanying Duplicates of the Invoices, bills of Lading, Letters &ct. sent by the two Europe ships and Copies of their Consultations, Cash & Paymaster's Accots.

one from Anjengo.

No. 21 from the Chief and Factors at Anjengo, dated 28th. January 1726 advises the receipt of Suncaramah's Letter about the Cotton, and of the Musters by the George brigantine, also that Governour Phipps passed that port the 23th January for Great Brittain.

one from Ft. William.

No. 22 dated 9th. January from the President and Council of Fort William' accompanies invoice and bill of Lading for seven hundred bags of Peter and some Gunnies.

Martin Scheermonds Petition read & rejected.

Petition of Martin Scheermond read & rejected requesting a House and some jewels by him said to have been made over to Ursula Maclaine in case of his death which were Confiscated as her Effects at the last Sessions of Oyer and Terminer, may be delivered him.

The President proposes to the consideration of the Board the state of the Contract with the Merchants, which not having been complied with on their side, he he (*sic*) further proposes to consider what methods to Take with them.

The President represents to the Board that the last Contract made with the Merchants ended the 31th of the last month, by the Terms of which They were obliged to have delivered at that Time Three Thousand bales, but that They had so ill performed them that there were no more brought in then, than eleven hundred bales, and since that Time, the whole with what They have at the Washers and in their own godowns will not altogether amount to more than Thirteen hundred bales, so that They are now deficient about Seventeen hundred bales, which ought to have been brought in the last month, he further represented that by this failure of theirs They are liable to the penalty in their Contract, and proposes to the Board to Consider whether it be more for the Company's advantage to charge that Penalty on them for the non compliance wth. the last and to make a new contract with them, by which means They will be entituled to the Broad cloth that shall this year come out at the usual advance of Thirty ℔ Cent, or whether we shall keep the Broad cloth in our own hands and sell it for the most it will fetch, and give the Merchants a further time to Comply with their old Contract

which being Debated,

which being debated, It was Resolved that it is the same thing to the Company whether the bales be brought in on the old or on a new Contract, so that They are brought in at all, that the charging the penalty on the Merchants will indeed be a present gain but at the same time it will distress them very much which the Company by their Letters do not seem enclined to.

It is resolved to give them further time, on several Conditions, the Merchant Called in and advised thereof.

It was therefore Resolved that we will excuse the Merchants the penalty due for breach of their Contract, upon condition that They compleat it, by the first of September next, which If they do, we shall have a Loading for an early ship but if they do not then fully Compleat it, we will Levy the whole penalty which was due the 31th. January last past, which resolve the Merchants were Called in, and acquainted with.

Betle and Tobacco rent for January paid in.

Poncala Kistnah and Com Chittee Farmers of the Betle and Tobacco rent, pay into Cash, eight hundred thirty three pagodas, twelve fanams 833 : 12 : — for last months rent of that Farm due the 5th. Instant.

Arrack and wine rent for do. month, paid in.

Poncala Kistnah Farmer of the Arrack and wine License pays into cash Three hundred thirty five pagodas 335 for last month's rent of that Farm due the 5th. Instant.

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Robert Symonds Export Warehousekeeper, reads that Account for last month ballance due to him and now paid eight hundred ninety two pagodas, ten fanams and fifty Seven Cash 892. 10. 57. Expt. Wareho. Account read, and money paid him.

JAS. MACRAE.
ROBT. SYMONDS.
J: ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE.
SLL. HYDE.
AUG: BURTON.

Brigantine Moreton John Hunt Master, arrived from Ganjam. 27
Ship Margaret Anne Pocaloo Sidoo, arrived from Calingapatam. —
dispatched a general Letter dated 24th. ulto. to Fort St. David. MARCH 1 1728.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

JAMES MACRAE ESQR. GOVERNOUR PRESIDENT. SATURDAY 1st
ROBERT SYMONDS. JOHN ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE. SAMUEL HYDE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON. CHARLES PEERS.

The Paymaster requesting money to defray Charges Garrison and other disbursements, ORDERED that Two Thousand five hundred 2500 pagodas be advanced him. Money advd. the Paymr.

Daveroy Moodulaire pays into cash seven hundred fifty seven pagodas four fanams and forty cash 757. 4. 40 being so much due from Veahsum Braminy for arrears of rent for the Paddy feilds vizt. Arrears due in the rent of the paddy feilds from Veahsum Braminy paid in.

Remains of last year due the 7th. February	Ps. 300	—	—
from that day to the 30th. September	457	4	40
Pagodas	757	4	40

The Settlements of Vizagapatam and Ingeram being very bare of Cash, and an opportunity offering by an English brigantine bound to the former of those places, It is AGREED that for a present Supply we send Five Thousand 5000 Madras pagodas and five Thousand 5000 pagodas worth of rupees to Vizagapatam on her, as also five thousand 5000 Madras pagodas to be forwarded from thence to Ingeram. Supplies to Vizaga. and Ingeram

JAS. MACRAE.
ROBT. SYMONDS.
J: ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE.
SLL. HYDE.
AUG: BURTON.
CHARLES PEERS.

Brigt. Narsingo arrived from Ternasseri. 2.
brigt. Moreton John Hunt Master, sailed for Vizagapatam on whom went Supplies of Cash and general letters dated 1st. Instant, for that Settlement and Ingeram. 3.
Ship Arcot arrived from Manilha. —
Ship Sahyballa arrived from Ballasore, and the Margaret Anne sailed for Vizagapatam. 4.
Sloop Eagle imported from Malacca. 7.
brigt. good hope arrived from Ingeram. 9.
received a Letter from Fort St. David by the Ramah. 10.

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY 10TH

JAMES MACRAE ESQR. GOVERNOUR PRESIDENT.
ROBERT SYMONDS. JOHN ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE. SAMUEL HYDE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON. CHARLES PEERS.

General from Fort St. Davd. read.

General Letter No. 23 from the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort St. David dated 7th. March, accompanying Invoice for Bales on the Ramah

Impt. Warehokeeper pays money into cash for Broad cloth.

Robert Symonds Import Warehousekeeper, pays into cash Three thousand 3000 pagodas on account of Broad cloth sold in February, and of the ballance of his Account for the month of January.

Land Custrs. Account read.

Samuel Hyde, Land Customer reads his Account for last month vizt.

Choultry Customs	Ps. 256	22	67
Ruby Brokerage	1	17	8
Registering slaves	6	8	—
	Pags. 264	11	75

ballance due from him Two hundred fifty two pagodas twenty five fanams and seventy five cash 252 : 25 : 75 which is carried to the next month's Account.

Rent of Trevitore &ct. Towns paid in.

Sunca Ramah, Ball Chittee &ct. Renters of Trevitore &ct. new Villages pay into cash Twelve hundred 1200 pagodas for one year's rent due the 17th. October last.

Petition from Sebastian Texeira read and

Petition from Sebastian Texeira de Britto read, and ordered to be entered complaining that Major John Roach had enticed his daughter to run away from the house where he had placed her in St. Thome, and that the said Major Roach had received her into his house, and detained her there near six weeks.

a Letter from St. Thome.

there was also presented at the same time a Letter from the Bishop and inhabitants of St. Thome relating to the same affair, Translate whereof was read, and ordered to be entered after this Consultation.

Major Roach to make answer and a Charge delivered him.

Major Roach denying the Facts alledged in the said petition and letter, Agreed that a Charge be given him and that his Answer be delivered on Monday next, when the Board will meet and examine this affair.

JAS. MACRAE.
ROBT. SYMONDS.
J : ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE.
SLL. HYDE.
AUG : BURTON.
CHARLES PEERS.

TO THE HONBLE JAMES MACRAE ESQR.

PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR &CT. COUNCILL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

THE HUMBLE PETITION OF BASTIAN TEXEIRA D'BRITTO

SHEWETH

That your Petitioner who is an Inhabitant of the City did in the month of July last embark on Ship Arcot for Manilha and left a Maiden daughter of the age of nineteen years in St. Thoma under the care of Mrs. Maria Elveira to remain with her till your Petitioner's return, as your Petitioner hath often done when going on the like voyages, being now returned again your Petitioner received the melancholy

notice that the aforesaid Child was missing from the said house on Friday the 14th. Febry. last new Stile, at past Twelve at night, and for her there was ready at the Seaside a Palanqueen and several Peons, which Conducted the Same to this City, as was found in about eight days after this Insult done, whereupon the Revd. Padre Thomas went to the house of Major John Roach as one of the Justice of Peace in this City and represented to him the said Insult and Dishonour done to the People in general, and craved that for his Sake and credit he would cause enquiry to be made where the said Child was & who 'twas that had done this Injustice to which the sd. Major Roach Answered there was no occasion for So much trouble, that he knew where she was, and If he pleased could produce her and further said that the said Child was not the Daughter of Your Petitioner but of Mr. Robert Raworth and that She is now under his protection, and that he will give her five or six hundred pagodas in marriage and that it appertaineth unto him to do that Justice for that he hath a power of Attorney to that purpose from Mr. John Raworth and that also the Child requested it of him and further told the said Padre Thomas that he might Acquaint the Gentlemen of St. Thome with this answer that it now belong to him to Take care of and maintain the said Child, and that he would have them pretend no further in this Affair.

To Consider the foregoing particulars It will appear that Major Roach was the Inducer and Cause of Taking away the said Child from the house wherein your Petitioner had placed her, and the following reasons will prove that the said Child is not the Daughter of Mr. Robert Raworth for that the Mother of the said Child left this City and went to St. Thome more than fifteen months before her delivery of this Child, the said Mr. Raworth left India for France in the year 1714 and the sd. Child was then aged five years, and to this time what care did the Said Mr. Robert Raworth ever take of the said Child, did he ever demand her, did he ever give her any subsistance, or what charge hath he been at for her maintenance, which he might well have done in the posts and power he bore in India, the said Robert Raworth's brother John Raworth also arrived from Europe and Staid in India some years, what did he ever do for the Child, or did he once demand her, as neither of the Brothers ever did in any manner Lay claim to the Child, nor do any thing for her when so young, and They in these parts, it seems very unlikely that at this Distance there should now come a power & Letter of Attorney as is alleged by Major Roach to this end, and if it was so, before what Justice did he present or shew such Letter or power as he ought to have done, and not have been a judge in his own cause, well might said Major Roach say to the Reverend Padre Thomas that he knew where the sd. Child was, and that he could produce her, for it is notorious that he received her at his house when she came at that time of [night] from St. Thome & seems rather that he was the taker of her, for how is it possible that a Child brought up in the close manner as is Customary to bring up Children of ye. Portuguese in India without any acquaintance or knowledge of the world with So much resolution and courage to go out at that time of night, and directly to get a Palanquin and Peons to conduct her to Madras. It is plain and evident to be seen that Some person must have seduced her by Flattery or other means to pass such an excess of shame and Scandal, neither is it to be believed that the Child on her own head should so leave the house and go directly to Major Roach as a Justice of Peace to Complain of oppression received, neither, at those hours does it seem good for any Justice of Peace so much to prejudice the Honour of a Maiden as to receive her in his house but rather for a good example and to preserve her honour would have Sent her to Some creditable house till the morning or till he could have had an opportunity to acquaint the Governour of the Affair who as Chief Justice, ought to have been So Acquainted, instead of which Major Roach kept and still doth continue to keep the said Child in his house to her great Scandal and dishonour, and without the fear of any Man under pretence of being under his protection and that he will give her in marriage, all which makes it appear plainly that Major Roach had induced the Girl to leave the house where she was placed by your Petitioner, and what man that hath any regard to his honour and not Lost to shame will marry a woman after this Scandal to her reputation never to be Taken off, lastly to what Major Roach says that the Child is not your Petitioner's daughter, It is a thing

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not in the power of any Man to prove, though so many years as She is old she has been known to all people as the Child of your Petitioner, and though if She actually denies that she is your Petitioner's Child, and accompanies such denial with other Scandalous and injurious Language, who will believe a young woman lost in error, in fear of her reputation, and Incited by others, will she not say it, and will she not throw Sueh scandal and yet far greater on those that gave her being and if she was asked if she ever heard her Mother say that your Petitioner was not the Father of her or of her Brothers or Sisters, Your Petitioner beleives She will even say that too, but that cannot hide it from all the inhabitants of Madras and S^t^. Thomé for as your Petitioner's Children They were baptized and edueated and if she and They were not the Children of your Petitioner he would Scarce have brought them up with So much care and love, and at these years to pass so much fatigue and trouble and risque of Life to get them fortunes to Set them forward in the world and to give them in Marriage, and as your Petitioner is an Inhabitant of this City & is Subject to the Laws thereof, so it is but reasonable to hope for and expect their protection and in what more than for our Children.

Your Petitioner therefore prays your Honour &c^t^. to examine of this great injustice done by Major Roach to your Petitioner and dishonour to your Petitioner's Child, for as the said Major Roach is a justice of the peace of this City of Council for affairs of the Hoñble Company, and Commander of the Military he ought to Suppress Such proceedings, and not himself to be the actour and cause of Scandal and dishonour to the discredit of his nation and of his Colony, no government in the world sure will suffer Sueh usage, thereby to give occasion for the like proceedings in others, to be the destruction of the Republic, and as you are or all may be Fathers, your Petitioner again prays you will Take this affair in due consideration, and reflect how severe a stroke this must be to a parent and also the Scandal that will attend the Place where sueh usage is Suffered,

for which,
Your Petitioner as in duty bound,
Shall ever pray &c^t^.

To the Hoñble James Macrae Esqr.

President and Governour &c^a^. Council of Fort S^t^. George.

The few inhabitants of the Ruined and poor City of S^t^. Thomé send this their most just Complaint on occasion of the scandalous affair of Sebastian Texeira de Britto's daughter, who privately in the night went out of an honest house standing in S^t^. Thome where her father according to his constant custom, had left her, and the same night she was conducted to Major Roach's house, where she has now been for a month past, those Cautions, not being Sufficient (which were Such as a Father could use when according to the Custom of the Portuguese in India he leaves the shore) in order to secure his Child, It is Supposed that promises were the means that broke down the walls of her retreat and modesty, an example which these Inhabitants though poor, never met with from the Moors themselves who rule and govern here without controul, and in reality injurious to the Community for in future there will be no house secure, however honest it may be, This excess having opened a way to many others, as if there was not Justice to be found to punish actions so pernicious to the good and Quiet of the public.

Wherefore we request of the Hoñble Governour and his Council that They will find out some remedy for what is past and to prevent such enormities in future, and also that an Authentic copy of this Complaint and of the determination which shall be made thereon may be transmitted to the Supreme Court of the Hoñble Company, of which the said Inhabitants of S^t^. Thomé where this Injury was offered, will send another Copy to be delivered them by the Envoy of Portugal in England, to the end that the said Court may be informed of the Conclusion of this Affair and Confirm the same, in order to prevent the like accidents in future.

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A Charge delivered by the President and Council of Fort S^t^. George to Major John Roach one of the Members of the said Council.

For that Complaint hath been made by one Sebastian Texeira de Britto, that you the said Major John Roach have by flattery and other means induced his Daughter to run away from the house where he had placed her when he went to Manilha, that for her greater Security in running away from the said house you did on the 3/14th. February last send a Palanquin with several Peons at twelve of the clock at night to St. Thome, which received her and brought her to your house, and that you did then Take her in and have kept her at your house ever since to the great grief of him the said Sebastian Texeira de Britto, and to the shame and utter ruin of his said Daughter.

Which Actions being highly derogatory to the Honour of the Company, and to the Station which you bear in their Service, You are hereby required to answer to, and clear yourself of.

And your answer to this Charge is expected on Wednesday the 12th. Instant at ten of the clock in the forenoon.

Ship Hydarebux arrived from Calingapatam. 12.

Cumberland Galley Thomas Fenton arrived from Bengal & Ketch Whynot from Vizagapatam. 13.

Sloop Ramah sailed for Fort St. David. 17.

At a Consultation

Present

James Macrae Esqr. Governour President. — Monday 17th.

Robert Symonds. John Roach.

Randall Fowke. Samuel Hyde.

Augustus Burton. Charles Peers.

The President reads the Account of the Honble Company's cash for last month ballance remaining one hundred forty five thousand four hundred thirty seven pagodas, five fanams and sixty three Cash 145437. 5. 63. — Cash Account for February read.

he also reads the Mint Account Current for last month ballance remaining twelve thousand four hundred thirty nine 12439. rupees which are carried to next month's acco^t^. and ninety seven pagodas twenty two fanams 97. 22. which is now paid in — Mint Acco^t^. read and money p^d^. thereon.

The Accomptant reads the Journal parcels for the month of January. — Journl. parcels read.

John Roach Paymaster, reads that Account for last month Vizt. — Paymasters Account read.

Charges Garrison	Ps. 1313	28	20
Charges Cattle	66	24	—
Charges Hospital	40	5	—
Charges extraordinary	2	21	65
Bombay Presidency	25	—	—
Charges General	418	—	5
Repairs of Fortifications	229	25	70
New Powder House	214	23	20
Charges Diet	583	12	—
	Pags. 2893	32	20

ballance due to him and now paid, Three hundred ninety three pagodas, thirty two fanams and twenty Cash 393. 32. 20. — ballance paid him.

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Extra expence reported.

The extraordinary expence in this Account, arises from the following particulars.

CHARGES EXTRAORDINARY							
Diet to one prisoner mo. 1. ds. 29 as ℔ Marshal's note	Ps. 1	34	65				
boat hire going off to muster the Frances and James & Mary's Men, survey their Ammunition, stores &ct.	—	23	—				
				Ps.	2	21	65
BOMBAY PRESIDENCY							
Allowance money to the widow Burton, and her Children					25	—	—
NEW POWDER HOUSE							
Workmen employed in the building	Ps. 12	11	20				
Materials	202	12	—				
					214	23	20
				Pagodas	242	9	5

Storekeeper's Accot. read.

Augustus Burton Storekeeper reads that accôt. for last month ballance due from him four hundred and thirteen pagodas eighteen fanams and seventy five cash 413. 18. 75 which is carried to next month's accôt.

Tobacco and Betle rent paid in.

Poncala Kistnah and Com Chittee Tobacco and Betle farmers pay into cash eight hundred thirty three Pagodas twelve fanams 833. 12. — for one months rent of that Farm due the 5th. Instant.

Arrack & Wine License paid in.

Poncala Kistnah Farmer of the Arrack and wine licence pays into cash three hundred thirty five 335 pagodas for one month's rent of that Farm due the 5th. Instant.

measuring farm rent paid in.

Nairo Kistnamah Chittee and Com Chittee, Farmers of the measuring duty pay into cash, one hundred forty one pagodas twenty four fanams 141. 24. — for two months rent of that Farm due the 20th. February.

complaint of gold delivd. into the mint with Iron in it, and the pagodas coined out of it produced.

The Assay Master attending the Board, and being called in, produced a bag of Madras pagodas, just coined out of some gold Dust brought from Manilha, which having a mixture of iron melted down with it, It had made the Coin though exactly alloyed, look of a dirty pale colour, and had likewise made the gold so brittle that the pagodas were very much cracked and consequently ill stamped, which he told the Board he Thought proper to acquaint them of, that he might receive their orders thereon before he lett the remainder be Coined.

which Compared with others are found very bad, and therefore

The said pagodas being Compared with others just Stamped the difference was So great, that the Board unanimously agreed it would be a very great discredit to our Coin to let them pass and therefore

resolved that ye. Merchts. shall burn out the Iron before it is taken into ye. Mint.

RESOLVED that the Merchant should be obliged to refine the gold and burn out the Iron alloy before it was coined.

a Seizure of Silver reported, and half paid the Company.

The President reports a seizure of fifty six and a half 56½ ounces of Silver endeavoured to be run; which being produced, was sold him at fourteen and a half dollars for ten pagodas, amounting to forty three pagodas twenty eight fanams 43. 28. — the one half of which is paid into the Company's cash, and the other to the Peon who Seized it.

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Major Roach having been very much indisposed this last week and desiring further time to answer the charge against him, It was allowed him till Wednesday morning. Major Roach allowed [fur]ther time to answer his Charge.

JA^S. MACRAE.
ROB^T. SYMONDS.
J: ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE.
S^EL. HYDE.
AUG: BURTON.
CHARLES PEERS.

Received a general Letter from M^r. Sanderson. 17.
Ship Triplicane Francisco Carualha Master, arrived from Manilha. 18.
Ship Verabudra from Bimlepatam. —

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

WEDNESDAY 19TH.

JAMES MACRAE ESQ^R. GOVERNOUR PRESIDENT.
ROBERT SYMONDS. JOHN ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE. SAMUEL HYDE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON. CHARLES PEERS.

General Letter N°. 24 from M^r. John Sanderson at Ingeram dated 24th. February, read, advising that he has hopes of procuring a large quantity of Cloth this year, and desiring supplys of cash. General Letter from Ingeram, read.

Major John Roach gives in answer to the Charge delivered him about the daughter of Sebastian Texeira wherein he denies the contents of it absolutely except^s. the receiving the woman which he confesses he did do as believing it a part of his duty as a Justice of Peace, she coming to him and claiming protection, he Acknowledges himself guilty of an indiscretion in not acquainting the Governour of it and submits himself to the censure of the board for the same, whereupon the Board came to the following resolution. Major Roach's answer to the Complaint of Texeira.

That such actions manifestly tend to the disturbance of the public peace and good order of this Settlement, wherefore it was unanimously AGREED

that the Major for his indiscreet conduct in this affair, be fined Three hundred 300 pagodas into the Company's Cash and that the woman presuming to come into this Government under pretence of asking protection, without making her application in a regular manner, be advised by the Secretary that she do not Continue in our Bounds longer than Friday night under penalty of publick punishment. This Time is allowed her to try if she can be reconciled to her Freinds, on account of her elopement. The Major Fined P^s. 300.

Robert Symonds Export Warehousekeeper, reads that Account for last month ballance due to him Four hundred & thirteen pagodas and nine fanams 413 . 9 . — which are carry'd to next month's Account. Export Wareh^o. Acco^t. for March, read.

Robert Symonds Import Warehousekeeper reads that Account for last month ballance due from him, four thousand Six hundred ninety six pagodas, thirty fanams & thirty Cash 4696 . 30 . 30 in part of which he paid Three thousand 3000 pagodas the 10th. Instant, the rest is Carried to the Debit of next month's account. Import Warehouse Account, read.

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Sea Custrs. Account for February, read. Randal Fowke Sea Customer, reads that Account for last month vizt.

Custom on goods Imported	Ps.	989	7	52
Ditto on grain		2429	24	12
Anchorage		85	—	—
	Pagodas	3503	31	64

and money pd. in thereon. Ballance due from him, Ten Thousand and twenty three pagodas seventeen fanams and sixteen Cash. 10023. 17. 16 whereof, he now pays Six Thousand 6000 pagodas.

JAS. MACRAE.
ROBT. SYMONDS.
J: ROACH
RANDALL FOWKE.
SLL: HYDE.
AUG: BURTON.
CHARLES PEERS.

TO THE HONBLE JAMES MACRAE ESQR.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR &CT. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

In answer to the charge exhibited against me in Consultation of the 10th. Instant, I have only to say that on the 14th. February in the morning a young woman named Donna Mariana de Marell came to my house and desired my Protection which as a Justice of Peace I thought myself obliged to give her, but my not acquainting the Honble Governour of it, I must acknowledge to have been an indiscretion and Submit myself to the censure of this board for the same.

I am
HONBLE SR. & SRS.
Your most Obedient Servant
JOHN ROACH.

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20. Dispatched general Letters to Fort Sr. David, Vizagapatam, and Ingeram.
22. Ship Lyell Captain John Hunter arrived from China.
27. Ship Tellisingah arrived from Cuddah.
28. Ship Nunganaut arrived from Ternassery and brigt. Careem from Pullicherry.
30. ship Pataraheen came in from St. Thomé.
31. Brigantine Moreton John Hunt came in from Vizagapatam.
— Sloops Eagle and Mary Buoyer sailed for Bengal and Carried a general Letter to the Governour and Council.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

APRIL TUESDAY 1ST.

JAMES MACRAE ESQR. GOVERNOUR PRESIDENT.
ROBERT SYMONDS. JOHN ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE. SAMUEL HYDE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON. CHARLES PEERS.

Accot. Salary produced and ordered to be paid. The Accountant produces the Account Salary due to the Honble Company's Covenanted Servants for Six months due the 25th. March last, amounting to one Thousand four Hundred thirty five pagodas, and twenty fanams 1435. 20.—which is ORDERED to be paid, and the Account is entered after this Consultation.

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Robert Symonds Import Warehousekeeper, pays into Cash eleven thousand 11000 pagodas, one of which is in further part of the ballance of his account for February and the other Ten Thousand on account of Broad cloth sold in March.

Import Wareho.keepr. pays in money.

at the same time he reported that the Merchants had refused Ten 10 Bales of the Fine Auroras, alledging they were not such as They had indented for and six 6 bales of perpets which were of such colours as had never been sent before and would not sell.

and he offering to take the same at the same advance as the Merchants paid for the other cloth provided he might have the [*lacuna*] bales remaining, at the same price. It was Agreed to only reserving a Supply for Vizagapatam and Ingeram the former of which places having indented for eleven Bales and sundry other wares and stores, Agreed that They be now sent on a brigantine bound thither.

[S]ome broad cloth sold him which the Merchants refused.

The Paymaster requesting money to defray Charges Garrison and other Disbursements, Agreed that Two Thousand five hundred 2500 pagodas be advanced him.

money advd. ye. Paymr.

Samuel Hyde Land Customer, pays into cash Two Hundred fifty two pagodas, twenty five fanams and seventy five Cash 252. 25. 75 for ballance of his Account for February and

reports a Seizure of Gram and oil seeds run into the Bounds to the amount of about Four, 4 pagodas which are ordered to be sold and divided as usual.

Land Custr. pays money into Cash and reports a Seizure of some Gram and oil seeds.

The President represents to the Board that Mr. Sanderson at Ingeram has wrote to him several times for an European Assistant, and It being Agreed that in case of his Sickness or death the want of another person to take care of the Company's effects there and to look after the Investment, till a Successor should be sent, would be of great detriment to their Affairs, It was Agreed to send down Mr. William Crawford to him at six pagodas ₽ month.

an Assistant to Mr. Sanderson, ordered.

Antonha de Caualho pays into cash Twenty four 24 pagodas for one years rent of a Garden lett to her, due the 20th. August last past.

Nundalal and Gopaldaus, pay into cash four Hundred 400 pagodas for six months rent of the Town Brokerage due the 31th. December last.

Pasqual Diego &ct. Fishing Farmers, pay into cash fifty pagodas 50 for one year's rent of that Farm due the 25th. Ultimo.

rent of Antonha Caualho's garden pd. in also of ye. Town brokerage, and the fishing farm

Jas. Macrae.
[*Lacuna*].
J. Roach.
Randall Fowke.
Sll. Hyde.
[*Lacuna*].
Charles Peers.

Account Salary due to the Honble Company's Covenanted Servants from the 25th. September 1728 to the 25th. March 1729.

	£				
The Hon. James Macrae Esqr. Presidt. & Governr. ..	@ 200	₽ Ann. 100 — —			
Do. Gratuity ..	100	50 — —			
			£ 150 — —	Ps. 333 12 —
Robert Symonds Esqr. Second of Council	100	..	50 — —	111 4 —
John Roach Esqr. Third ..	70	..	35 — —	77 28 —
Randal Fowke Esqr. Fourth ..	50	25 — —		
do. for reading divine service	50	25 — —		
			50 — —	111 4 —

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	£			
Samuel Hyde Esqr. Fifth	@ 40		20 — —	44 16 —
Augustus Burton Esqr. Sixth	40		20 — —	44 16 —
Mr Charles Peers Seventh	40		20 — —	44 16 —
M^r^. Stephen Newcome Senior Merchant	40		20 — —	44 16 —
M^r^. George Torriano ditto	40	20 — —		
d^o^. for reading divine service	50	25 — —		
d^o^. Gratuity as Secretary	10	5 — —		
			50 — —	111 4 —
M^r^. Paul Foxley Senior Merchant	40	..	20 — —	44 16 —
M^r^. Matthew Empson Junior Merch^t^.	30	..	15 — —	33 12 —
M^r^. Richard English d^o^.	30	..	15 — —	33 12 —
M^r^. Ralph Mansell d^o^.	30	..	15 — —	33 12 —
M^r^. William Monson d^o^.	30	..	15 — —	33 12 —
M^r^. John Stratton d^o^.	30	..	15 — —	33 12 —
M^r^. John Bulkeley d^o^.	30	..	15 — —	33 12 —
M^r^. Thomas Weston Factor & Assaymaster	80	..	40 — —	88 32 —
M^r^. Thomas Eyre Factor	15	..	7 10 —	16 24 —
M^r^. Charles Barrington d^o^.	15	..	7 10 —	16 24 —
M^r^. Samuel Parkes d^o^.	15	..	7 10 —	16 24 —
M^r^. Holland Goddard d^o^	15	..	7 10 —	16 24 —
M^r^. Wood Smart Writer	5	..	2 10 —	5 20 —
M^r^. Edward Bracstone d^o^.	5	..	2 10 —	5 20 —
M^r^. John Hammond d^o^.	5	..	2 10 —	5 20 —
M^r^. John Savage d^o^.	5	..	2 10 —	5 20 —
M^r^. Richard Dockwra d^o^.	5	..	2 10 —	5 20 —
M^r^. William Martin d^o^.	5	..	2 10 —	5 20 —
M^r^. Andrew Pechier Surgeon	36	..	18 — —	40 — —
M^r^. Matthew Lindsay d^o^.	36	..	18 — —	40 — —
			£ 646 — —	P^s^. 1435. 20. —

Fort S^t^. George
March 25th. 1729.

Errors excepted.
℘ Robert Symonds
Accompt^t^.

2 Cumberland Galley Thomas Fenton sailed for Bengal.
3 Ship Queen Carolina William Tullie, arrived from Pegue.
— Ketch Whynot sailed for Vizagapatam.
4 brig^t^. Good Hope sailed for Ingeram, and carried Letters to that place, and Vizagapatam.
7 received a general Letter from Bengal.
10 received a general Letter from Fort St. David.
— Brig^t^. Morton John Hunt, sailed for Vizagapatam.
— Ship Devonshire arrived from Bengal.
— S^t^. Francisco Zavier belonging to the French, arrived from Pondicherry.

At a Consultation

Present

Friday 11th.

James Macrae Esqr. Governour President.
John Roach.
Randall Fowke. Samuel Hyde.
Charles Peers.

Cash Account read.

The President reads the Account of the Honble Company's Cash for last month ballance remaining one hundred forty four thousand five hundred sixty four pagodas, thirty two fanams and three cash 144564: 32: 3 which is carried to next months Account.

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Land Custrs. Account, read.

Samuel Hyde Land Customer reads that Accot. for last month vizt.

Choultry Customs	Ps. 313	27	51
Ruby Brokerage	22	4	13
Registering Slaves	10	16	—
Pagodas	346	11	64

ballance due from him five hundred eighty seven pagodas, fifteen fanams and fifty nine cash 587. 15. 59 in part of which he paid the first Instant two hundred fifty two pagodas, twenty five fanams and seventy five cash 252. 25. 75 being the ballance of his Account for February, the remainder is Carried to next month's Account.

Genl. Letters read,

General Letters read vizt.

from Fort William.

No. 25 from the President and Council of Fort William dated 26th. February 1728/9 desiring we will send them twenty five pipes of Madeira wine.

[from] Fort St. David.

No. 26 from the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort St. David, dated 8th. April complaining of the Inability of their Merchants to perform their Contracts although they have been allowed further time for so doing and propose to enter on a new Contract either with new Merchants or with the old sett and some new ones joined with them.

orders thereupon respects. ye. Contract.

Agreed that it is more for the Company's Interest to have the old Contract compleated than to make a new one and quit that, but that we write to Fort St. David to endeavour to add as many new Substantial Merchants to the old ones as they can and to make a Contract for as many bales as it is reasonable to expect may be brought in over and above the Compleating the old Contract.

money to be sent them.

Agreed also, to send Ten Thousand 10000 pagodas for a Supply of their Cash, to them on Monday next.

Martin Lopes petition read about some silver seized.

Petition from Martin Lopes read and entered Setting forth that being an Inhabitant of St. Thomé and just returned from Manilha, he was carrying the produce of his voyage thither in Silver not being apprized of the prohibition, which was seized and he and his family reduced thereby to utter ruin and praying that he may have the same returned him.

the Silver to be returned. ¼ to be given eons

which being Considered it was Agreed on Accôt. of the Calamitous Circumstances which his Family will be reduced to if the seizure be confirmed, and of his being a Stranger, that the Silver be restored him, except one fourth part, which It is Agreed to give the Peons lest they should be discouraged from doing their duty in making further seizures.

Jas. Macrae.
J. Roach.
Randall Fowke.
Sll. Hyde.
Charles Peers.

To the Honble James Macrae Esqr.

President and Governour of Fort St. George &ca. Council.

The humble petition of Martin Lopes

Sheweth

That Your Petitioner did return here as Writer to Captain Francis Carualho from Manilha, and when your Petitioner brought ashore his goods there was in a chest one hundred and sixteen Spanish dollars and a half, which was all the profits of your Petitioner's voyage, and being an inhabitant of St. Thomé, where your Petitioner hath a Wife and Children was going to carry this money for their support when the same was seized and carried to the Honble Governour, as your Petitioner now understands

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by virtue of an order of the Honble Council Board of this place that no Silver be Carried out but as your Petitioner had no Intent to break any the orders of this place and as this was broke by being an entire stranger thereto therefore hopes your honour &ct. will pardon the crime and in consideration of his great poverty and the many hardships the Loss of this Sum will bring on a poor family now in a starving Condition, It will please this Honble Board to order the return of that small sum, for which Act of Charity Your Petitioner will in duty be bound for ever to pray &ct.

11. dispatched a general Letter to Fort St. David.
13. Sloop Charles John Kelsal, arrived from Bengal.
15. Ship Hyderabux arrived from Calingapatam.
18. Ship Sarum Capta. Standard arrived from Malacca.
— reced. a General Letter from the Presidt. & Council of Bombay.
19. reced. a general letter from Mr. Sanderson at Ingeram.
— Sloop Ballasore William Miller, arrived from Bengal.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY 21TH.

JAMES MACRAE ESQR. GOVERNOUR PRESIDENT.
JOHN ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE. SAMUEL HYDE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON. CHARLES PEERS.

Mint Account read, & Money Paid in.

The President reads the Mint Account current for last month ballance remaining six thousand and twenty three rupees, three annaes 6023 : 3 : — which are carried to next month's Account and one hundred twenty five pagodas eighteen fanams and Seventy five cash 125 : 18 : 75 which is now paid in.

Export Wareho. Accot. read.

Augustus Burton for Robert Symonds Export Warehousekeeper reads that Account for last month, ballance due to the Warehousekeeper, Three hundred seventy seven pagodas twenty two fanams and Sixty eight cash 377 : 22 : 68 which is Carried to next month's Account.

Import Wareho. Accot. read, and Money paid in.

he also reads the Import Warehouse Account for the last month ballance due from the Warehousekeeper Twelve Thousand four hundred ninety four pagodas, and Seventy nine cash 12494 : — . 79 of which the first Instant he paid Eleven thousand 11000 pagodas, and now pays in more one thousand 1000 pagodas.

Paymrs. Account read

John Roach Pay Master, reads that Account for last month vizt.

Charges Garrison	Ps: 1302	28	60
Charges Cattle	66	24	—
Charges Hospital	43	1	—
Charges Extraordinary	1	—	—
Bombay Presidency	25	—	—
Charges General	423	28	50
Charges Diet	583	12	—
New Powder House	278	30	25
Repairs of Fortifications	156	30	70
Pagodas	2881	11	45

and

Ballance paid him.

Ballance due to him and now paid, Three hundred eighty one pagodas, eleven fanams and forty five cash 381 : 11 : 45.

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The extraordinary expence in this month's Acco[ts]. arises from the following articles viz[t].

Extr[a]. expence reported.

CHARGES EXTRAORDINARY						
Diet to one prisoner as ℘ Marshal's note				P[s]. 1	—	—
BOMBAY PRESIDENCY						
Allowance to the widow Burton & her Children ..				25	—	—
NEW POWDER HOUSE						
Workmen employed this month ..	P[s]. 82	—	60			
Materials used	196	29	45			
				278	30	25
				Pagodas 304	30	25

Randal Fowke Sea Customer, reads his Account for last month viz[t].

Custom on goods Imported	P[s]. 4658	5	8
D[o]. on grain	1138	19	4
Anchorage	32	18	—
	Pagod[s]. 5829	6	12

Sea Cust[rs]. Account read and money paid in.

ball[a]. due from him nine thousand eight hundred and twenty pagodas, twenty four fanams and twenty eight cash 9820 : 24 : 28 of which he pays four Thousand 4000 pagodas.

Samuel Hyde Land Customer, pays into cash, Three hundred thirty four pagodas twenty five fanams and Sixty four cash 334 : 25 : 64 ballance of his Account for the month of March, and Two 2 pagodas being the Companys half of a seizure of Gram and oil seeds reported the first Instant.

Land Cust[r]. pays money into Cash. d[o]. more.

Augustus Burton Storekeeper, reads that Account for last month ballance remaining due from him five hundred and seven pagodas seventeen fanams and forty Cash 507 : 17 : 40 which he now pays in.

Storekeeper's Account read and money paid in.

Major John Roach pays into cash Three hundred 300 pagodas being the Fine laid on him in Consultation the nineteenth of last month.

Major Roach pays [h]is fine of Ps. 300.

Messieurs Randal Fowke and Augustus Burton who were appointed to Take out Letters of Administration in behalf of the Company as Principal Creditors to the estate of John Blunt Esq[r]. deceased, report that They have collected in the sum of Two Thousand six hundred thirty two pagodas thirty one fanams and fourteen cash 2632. 31. 14 being the whole produce of all his effects that have come to their hands and desire directions what to do with the same because there are other Creditors as well as the Company.

Report of y[e]. administrators to M[r]. Blunts estate of what they have collected.

ORDERED that They do pay the same into Cash in part of the debt of the deceased John Blunt to the Company.

Ordered to pay the same into Cash.

A Lease for the Liberty of fishing in the River, granted to the Macquas on the same terms, & Conditions as the last produced and signed, to commence from the 25th. March last past for five years next ensuing.

fish[g]. Cowle granted.

Poncala Kistnah and Com Chittee Tobacco & Betle Farmers pay into cash eight hundred thirty three pagodas twelve fanams 833. 12. — for one month's rent of that farm due the 5th. Instant.

Tobacco and betle rent paid in.

Poncala Kistnah Farmer of the Arrack and wine License pays into cash three hundred thirty five 335. pagodas for one months rent of that farm due the 5th. Instant.

Arrack rent paid in.

General Letters read viz[t].

Gen[l]. Letters read Viz[t].

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from Bombay — N°. 27 from the President and Council of Bombay dated 31th. January last, advising that the George was hauling ashore in order to be repaired, and giving an account of their transactions with the Persian government, in order to obtain reparation for the Losses the Company have Sustained by the late troubles.

from Ingeram — N°. 28 from Mr. John Sanderson Resident of Ingeram, dated the 26th. March, advising the Arrival of the Supply sent him at Vizagapatam, and that the Country near him is in peace.

JAS. MACRAE.
[*Lacuna*].
RANDALL FOWKE.
SLL. HYDE.
AUG: BURTON.
CHARLES PEERS.

21TH. Dispatched a General Letter to Mr. Sanderson.
25. Ship Verabudra sailed for Bimlepatam.
— received a General from Vizagapatam.
27. received a General from Fort St. David.
28. Ship Betty came in from Bengal.
29. Ship Francisco Xavier sailed for Pegue.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MAY THURSDAY 1ST.

JAMES MACRAE ESQR.	GOVERNOUR PRESIDENT.
ROBERT SYMONDS.	
RANDAL FOWKE.	SAMUEL HYDE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON.	CHARLES PEERS.

Journal parcels read — The Accomptant reads the Journal parcels for the month of February.

money advd. the Paymr. — ORDERED to advance two Thousand five hundred 2500 pagodas to the Pay Master, to defray Charges Garrison and other disbursements.

Money advanced the Export Wareho.kr. — The Export Warehousekeeper reports that the Merchants have brought in four hundred peices of Chints Morees, and therefore requesting an advance to set the Painters to work, AGREED, that five hundred pagodas be advanced him for that purpose.

Mr. Blunt's ballance of Account paid in by the Administrators. — Messieurs Fowke and Burton pay into Cash Two thousand Six hundred and thirty two pagodas, thirty one fanams and fourteen Cash 2632. 31. 14 being the ballance of the Account Current of the estate of John Blunt Esqr. deceased, and deliver in the Account Current which is ORDERED to be entered after this Consultation.

Copies of the paragras. to be given them. — and They requesting copies of the paragraphs in the last and this Consultation relating hereto, for their indemnification, ORDERED that They be given them.

Genl. Letters read. — General Letters read vizt.

from Vizaga. — N°. 29 from the Chief and Council of Vizagapatam dated first April advising the arrival of the Treasure Sent them by the Morton, and requesting orders for investment, and a Supply of Cash.

from Fort St. David. — N°. 30 dated 23th. April 1729 from the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort St. David, advising the receipt of the last supply of Cash sent them.

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Petition from Martin Scheermond read and entered, requesting the enlargement of Ursula Maclaine (She being great with Child) from her Imprisonment to which She was Condemned the last Sessions. Petition from Martin Scheermond to release Ursola Maclaine

AGREED, that if he will enter into a bond of five Hundred pagodas forfeiture in case of her not returning to prison in one month after her delivery, we will Consent thereto. Granted, on his Giving bond for her return to prison.

Mr. Burton delivers to the Board a paper complaining that he had been affronted by Mr. Henry Rumbold an Attorney of the Mayor's Court and that having applied to the said Court for satisfaction in a paper, copy of which he now delivers likewise, he had received no answer from them and therefore he applied himself to this Board for Satisfaction, the said papers are entered after this Consultation. Mr. Burtons Complaint of Mr. Rumbold and the Court.

RESOLVED that the Secretary do advise the Court that we Recommend this matter to their further consideration and that he Tell them at the same time that if They do not give Mr. Burton Satisfaction adequate to the Affront, we will find other ways of doing it. Message to ye. Court thereon.

JAS. MACRAE.
ROBT. SYMONDS.
[*Lacuna*].
RANDALL FOWKE.
SLL. HYDE.
AUG: BURTON.
CHARLES PEERS.

TO THE HONBLE JAMES MACRAE ESQR.

PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR OF FORT ST. GEORGE, &CT. COUNCIL.

THE PETITION OF MARTIN SCHEERMOND

HUMBLY SHEWETH

Whereas Your Petitioner having been Concerned with that unfortunate woman Ursula Maclaine, and She proving with Child, have some reason to believe it is mine, Therefore humbly begs that your Honour would please to grant her enlargement for such a time as to your Honour shall seem meet,

and Your Petitioner,
as in duty bound,
Shall ever pray.

Dr. ESTATE OF THE DECEASED JOHN BLUNT ESQR. Cr.

1728		To Cash for Sundry disbursements vizt.			
April	2.	pd. boat hire for 70 boats unloading & ballasting the ship Speedwell at fs. 5 ℔ boat			Ps. 9 26 —
		pd. Cooly hire unloading 48 boats			1 24 —
	19.	pd. boat hire unloading the brigt. Moreton from Vizaga. 2 boats			— 10 —
May	2.	pd. the Cryers for eight outcrys			4 — —
	22.	pd. ye. Custom note on 5.328 Paddy ..	Ps. 7 9 —		
		measuring do.	1 17 5		8 26 5
	—	pd. Mr. Paul Foxleys note for bags for unloading the Paddy ℔ Ship Speedwell			— 21 66
	—	pd. the Sea Customers note for Customs on Salt Petre Long clo. and Salampores &ct.			33 3 —
	—	pd. Cooly hire weighing the Saltpetre 20 Cash ℔ Ca. on Ca. 40 7. 8			— 10 —
June	10.	pd. Charges administring, and is for two notes dated the 21th. of last month signed by Mr. John Stratton for fees particulars vizt.			
		Mr. John Stratton, Register reading and filing petition	Ps. — 15 —		
		Swearing Administrators	— 6 —		
		Four Entries of Court	— 12 —		
		Writing a bond ..	1 6 —		
		Letter of Administra. with Court Seal	— 28 —		
		Registering do. ..	— 30 —	Ps. 3 25 —	
		Mr. John Stratton, Attorney. Attorney's fees.	Ps. 1 — —		
		drawing petition ..	— 18 —		
		Attendance ..	— 9 —	1 27 —	5 16 —

1728			
Septr.	19	By Cash recd. of Mr. Charles Barrington The balla. of his Accot. with the deceased ..	Ps. 5 — 72
Febry.	15	By Cash, recd. of Mr. John Stratton for a bill of exchange drawn on him by Mr. John Sanderson for Madras pagodas 16. 17. 38 for ye. produce of sundries sold by him at Ingeram on accot. of the Estate of ye Decd. ..	16 31 70
—		by Cash Collected for sundry Effects sold at outcry, as ℔ Account particulars.	2836 4 23
		Pagodas	2858 1 5

Dr. ESTATE OF THE DECEASED JOHN BLUNT ESQR.—*cont.* Cr.

1728 Octobr.	2.	pd. the Cryer for fees on outcry of Sundries Sold the 24th past wch. were delivered in by Mr. Charles Barrington ..	—	18	—
		pd. the Sea Customer's notes for Customs on 13 corge &ct. ps. of Long cloth received from Vizagapatam ℔ Ship Hertford, Sold at Outcry	18	22	—
		To Commission 3 ℔ Cent on ps. 2836. 4. 23	141	27	—
		Pags.	225	5	71
		To ballance	2632	31	14
		Pagodas	2858	1	5

FORT ST. GEORGE
APRIL 21TH. 1729.

ERRORS EXCEPTED

℔ RANDAL FOWKE
AUGUSTUS BURTON } *Administrators apptd. by the Honble Court in behalf of the Company.*

—*FORT ST. GEORGE, MAY 1729*—

To the Honble James Macrae Esqr.

President and Governour of Fort St. George &c'. Council.

Honble Sir & Sirs

I herewith offer your Honour &ct. a Copy of a Letter presented by me to the Mayor and Aldermen, complaining of some impertinent and scandalous reflections used by Mr. Rumbold in one of his petitions to them as you will perceive by the said Letter, and receiving no answer from them, and as I understand They intend to do no further therein but make him retract the words and pay the charge of reading my Letter, makes me apply to your Honour &ct. for a further Satisfaction as you shall Think necessary.

I am
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient Humble servant
Augustus Burton.

Fort St. George
1st. May 1729.

"To the Worspll. Francis Rous Esqr.

Mayor and Aldermen of the Honble Court of Madraspatnam.

Worspll. Sir & Sirs

"Conformable to the Royal Charter for your directing all executions upon "judgments to the Sheriff of this Town and the Destricts thereof, the same hath been "faithfully fulfilled from time to time by fixing up papers at the Seagate in order to "give proper notice and time according to your decree in Collecting in the money for "all sales that are to be made there as usual and I myself have been present on all "Executions Issued out to me by your warrants—now I find in a Petition given into "you by one Rumbold an officer of your Court Intimating of some indirect means "used by me in a late Sale of a house belonging to Ragana for which I had your "warrant, he setting forth Scandalously and in a more particular manner he says "an Opportunity being taken for the Sale when neither the Defendant his Attorney "or any for him were present to bid, and but very few people if any black people did "bid for the same, whereby the said house was disposed of for much less than the "value," a little further in the same petition he says "sale of the said house shall "be set aside, and that the pretended sale thereof shall be declared void." I do "desire you to make the said Mr. Rombold explain himself and prove his Allegation, "that I may then Justly be rendered incapable of officiating in the said office, other-"wise I shall not doubt your doing me justice on the said Mr. Rombold. I will not "enlarge on the Consequences of such expressions to be registered in your Court, "besides the station and Character I bear in this place will not Suffer me to pass by "this ignominy with Impunity."

I am
Wosppll. Sir & Sirs
Your most Humble servants
Augustus Burton,
Sheriff.

Fort St. George
26th. March 1729.

1 Ship Sta. Cruce imported from Macao.

2 dispatched a general letter to Bombay.

3 Sloop Ballasore sailed for Covilon & Sloop Charles for Bengal.

5 Ship Massanbux sailed for Ballasore.

8 Imported ships Tellicherry Grab from Gombroom, Nancey from the Malabar Coast, Galeza Madre de Deos *a* Macao, Brigt. Madras Mercht. from Surat & sloop Ballasore *a* Covilon.

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Arrived ship Fordwich Capt^{a}. Richard Gosfright & Princess Caroline galley Capt^{a}. Samuel Brasier both from England with packets, which the Council met in order to open. 9

Ship Betty Alexander Currie sailed for Pegue. —

Rec'd General Letters from Fort S^{t}. David and Ingeram Sloop Ramah came in from Fort S^{t}. David and Ship Bettey Capt^{a}. Lytcot Upton, having lost her passage to Surat. 10

Ship Vencatash came in from Arracan. 11

At a Consultation

Present

James Macrae Esqr. Governour President. — Monday 12th.

Robert Symonds.	John Roach.
Randall Fowke.	Samuel Hyde.
Augustus Burton.	Charles Peers.

The President reads the Cash Account for last month, ballance remaining one hundred fifty two Thousand and forty five pagodas, twenty three fanams and Sixty six cash 152045 : 23 : 66 which is Carried to next month's Account. — Cash Acco^{t}. read.

Samuel Hyde Land Customer, reads that Acco^{t}. for the last month vizt. — Land Cust^{rs}. Acc^{o}. read.

Choultry Customs	P^{s}.	274	13	61
Ruby Brokerage		1	20	0
Registering Slaves		6	—	—
	Pagod^{s}.	281	34	1

ballance due from him Two hundred and Seventy pagodas, twelve fanams and one Cash 270 : 12 : 1 which are carried to next month's Account.

Petition from Captain Brasier read & granted requesting leave to stay here till Wednesday, in order to refresh his People many of which are sick. — Petition from Capt^{a}. Brasier.

The Gentlemen in Bengal having wrote for some Madeira wine and the Fordwich being to sail in a few days, Agreed that Twenty four 24 Pipes be sent on her, there being in the Warehouse twenty eight unfilled. — Madera wine to be sent to Bengal on the Fordwich.

There being also about fourteen Chests of rupees ready in the Warehouse, Agreed that They be put on board her, and that we take out fifteen chests of her treasure in exchange, in order to have rupees ready for the next Ship. — Silver taken out and Rupees sent down on s^{d}. Ship.

The Warehousekeeper delivers the Merchant's Account Current to the last of April ballance due to them Two Thousand nine hundred forty six pagodas one fanam and Seventy two cash 2946 : 1 : 72 and they earnestly requesting that an advance of Ten thousand 10000 Pagodas might be made them, instead of only paying the said ballance, It was Agreed to. — Merch^{ts}. Acc^{o}. Curn^{t}. read. P^{s}. 10000 adv^{d}. them.

He likewise reports that the Gunner has made a demand for a new flag, the old one being quite worn out; Ordered that One be made. — new flag ord^{d}.

The Attorney for the Jesuits Missionaries in China requesting the payment of the last year's Annuity due the first April, Ordered that It be paid. — Jesuit's Annuity ord^{d}. to be paid.

General Letters read Viz^{t}. — General Letters read.

N°. 31 dated 8th. May 1729 from the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort S^{t}. David, accompanying Invoice for bales by the Ramah. — from Fort S^{t}. Dav^{d}.

N°. 32 dated the 19th. April 1729 from M^{r}. Sanderson at Ingeram, complaining of the Difficulty of getting goods, and that the Dutch have advanced one pagoda twenty four fanams ℔ corge in the price of their ordinary Cloth, he also requests leave to repair the Nellipillee house, which he writes cannot exceed Sixty 60 pagodas, and that the other godowns of the Company's being built of dried Cajans quite from the ground, are in great danger of fire. — from Ingeram.

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Nellipillee house to be repaired.

which being Considered, It was Agreed that Mr. Sanderson be permitted to repair the Nellipillee house provided it can be done for the Sum of Sixty pagodas as he proposes.

Mr. Blunts Administrators acknowledge the rect. of more money.

Messieurs Fowke and Burton, Administrators in behalf of the Company to the estate of John Blunt deceased, report that Since the last account delivered by them, They have received more on account that estate, eight hundred and twenty one pagodas twenty four fanams. 821. 24. —on the following accounts, vizt.

Debt from the Ingeram weavers	Ps. 486	18	—
Sheak Mera's debt	335	6	—
pagodas	821	24	—

Ordered that They do pay the same into Cash, and

Mr. Blunt's debt recommended to Mr. Sandersо.

there being several outstanding debts in the Country of Ingeram due to him, Agreed that in our next letter to Mr. Sanderson, we do order him to enquire about the same, and recover them in.

Lists of Investms. for ye. Northern Settlements to be drawn out.

Agreed that Messieurs Symonds, Fowke and Burton do Inspect the List of Investment for this year in order to draw out a list of what is to be provided at the Northern Settlements this Season.

Mr. Barlow's petition read.

Petition of Nathaniel Barlow read and Granted, requesting that he may Succeed to be Surgeon here in case of the resignation of Mr. Pechier.

a messa. from Mayor's Court on Mr. Burton's Compla. agst. Rumbold.

Mr. John Stratton Register of the Mayor's Court attends the Board with an answer to the message sent them by the Secretary, Importing in substance that They had again considered of their proceedings with relation to the Complaint of Mr. Burton against Mr. Rumbold, and were of opinion that They had given full Satisfaction to the Complainant, and therefore did Confirm and abide by the same, at the same time he delivered the records of their Court relating to the above, which being read, the Board came to the following resolution

Proceedgs. thereon.

that Mr. Henry Rumbold having upon oath averred that he did not design any affront to Mr. Burton in the paper and expressions complained of This Board will censure him no further than by decreeing that he do ask Mr. Burton pardon for his inadvertency in using expressions so liable to exception, and do repeat to the said Mr. Burton his assurances of not having thereby designed any affront to him, or reflection on his Character.

Jas. Macrae.
Robr. Symonds.
J: Roach.
Randall Fowke.
Sll. Hyde.
Aug: Burton.
Charles Peers.

To the Honble James Macrae Esqr.

President and Governour &cr. Council of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Having had a long passage from England to this port and not Touching any where in my way, several of my People are down which obliges me to request of your Honour &ct. not to Insist on my departure for Bengal till Wednesday next, that I may have an opportunity of refreshing my Men.

I am
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient Humble servant
Samuel Brasier.

Fort St. George
May 12th. 1729.

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To Robert Symonds Esqr.

Sr.

The small Flag being quite worn out, please to order seven peices red Salloes, five peices white, and eight peices blue, to make a new one.

Sr.

Fort St. George, 12th. May 1729.

Your most Obedient and most Humble servant
David Murray.

To the Honble James Macrae Esqr.

President and Governour &ca. Council of Fort St. George.

The Humble Petition of Nathaniel Barlow

Sheweth

That your Petitioner was by the Honble Court of Directors sent here in order to Succeed as Surgeon on any Vacancy which might happen after your Petitioner's arrival and your petitioner apprehending that there will shortly be a Vacancy by the resignation of Mr. Andrew Pechier,

Your Petitioner therefore most humbly begs your Honour &ct. that he may Succeed the said Mr. Andrew Pechier.

Dr. Sunca Ramah and Tomby Chittee. Cr.

	To Cash advanced them	Ps. 30000 — —
Decr.	To Custom 5 Ꝑ Cent on goods brought in ..	604 15 70
	To washing the Cloth Turned out.	16 18 74
Janry.	To Custom 5 Ꝑ Cent on goods brought in ..	576 27 70
	To washing the Cloth turned out.	18 17 —
Febry.	To Custom 5 Ꝑ Cent on goods brought in ..	409 21 78
	To washing the Cloth turned out.	21 1 56
March.	To Custom 5 Ꝑ Cent on goods brought in ..	291 8 17
	To washing the Cloth turned out.	25 31 60
April.	To Custom 5 Ꝑ Cent on goods brought in ..	424 1 36
	To washing the Cloth turned out.	44 — 20
	Pags.	32432 1 1
	To ballance	2946 1 72
	Pagodas	35378 2 79[*sic*]

Decr.	by Goods received of them 124 bales ..	Ps. 7976 — 40
	by Customs 2¾ Ꝑ Cent on do.	219 12 20
Janry.	by Goods received of them 74 do.	8369 15 —
	by Customs 2¾ Ꝑ Cent on do.	230 5 58
Febry.	by Goods received of them 26 do.	2932 16 40
	by Customs 2¾ Ꝑ Cent on do.	80 23 11
March.	by goods received of them 97 do.	5251 12 —
	by Customs 2¾ Ꝑ Cent on do.	144 14 66
April.	by goods received of them 139 do.	9902 — —
	by Customs 2¾ Ꝑ Cent on do.	272 10 78
	Pagodas	35378 2 73

Errors excepted.

Ꝑ Robert Symonds
Export Warehº. keeper.

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"To the Worspll. Francis Rous Esqr.

"Mayor &cr. Aldermen of the Honble Court of Madraspatnam.

"The Answer of Henry Rumbold Attorney of this Honble Court to the charge "exhibited against him by Mr. Augustus Burton Sheriff.

"In the Charge exhibited against me I observe Mr. Burton ground[s] his Accusa- "tion upon some words I have lately incerted in a certain paper entituled the answer "of Quoindal Ragana Defendant to the bill of Complaint of Narran Complainant, which "paper was Signed by me as Attorney to the said Defendant, wherein he saith that "I have Scandalously reflected on his Character as Sheriff in these words "an oppty. "being Taken for the sale, when neither this Defendant, his Attorney, or any for him "were present to bid, and but very few if any black people did bid for the same, "whereby the said house was sold for much less than the value". Again the said "Mr. Burton charges me with reflecting on him in these words set forth in the said "Answer "sale of the said house shall be set aside, and the pretended Sale thereof "shall be declared void."

"In answer to this charge I shall endeavour to convince this Honble Court that "neither the words herein before recited or any other part of the said answer what- "soever are in the least reflectg. on the Character or Conduct of the said Mr. Burton "which allegations I doubt not to make good to this Honble Court by demonstrative "Proofs of the same.

"to go on regularly in my answer to this charge it is necessary here to "inform this Honble Court that upon the humble application of Quoindal Ragana "this Court was pleased to indulge him with a certain day to answer the complaint of "Narran as abovementioned, whereupon the said Quoindal Ragana applied himself to "me to draw up an answer to the bill of Complaint, which conformable to my duty "I did, and after having stated the case in the best manner I could, I go on in these "words—"but during the absence of this Defendant, the Complainant moved the "Court and obtained an order for sale of the said house and ground under "pretence of this Defendants not having Answered the said bill & in pursuance of "such order hath sold the said house and ground for sixty pagodas or thereabouts, "although the same was actually worth one hundred and twenty pagodas or there- "abouts, which proceedings of the Complainant, this Defendant humbly apprehends "are Illegal and unjust, and that the sale of the said house is in itself void and "unwarrantable, being expresly contrary to the Customs of this Honble Court an "oppty being taken for the sale when neither this Defendant his Attorney or any for "him were present to bid, and but very few If any black people did bid for the same "whereby the said house was disposed of for much less than the value."

"Upon this Answer, Mr. Burton hath founded his Complaint and saith that "therein I have reflected on his conduct in the sale of the said house, and that my "alledging the proceedings of the Plaintiff to be Illegal, and praying that the said sale "may be set aside—is highly Injurious to the character of him the said Mr. Burton "which I conceive I am no wise guilty of for the following reasons–first, for that "whatever hath been done by the said Mr. Burton in relation to the sale of the "said house was in pursuance of an Authority given him by this Honble Court as "Sheriff of Fort St. George &ct. and agreeable to the tenour of a precept to him "directed for that purpose, grounded on a Decree of the same Court, which decree "having been obtained by an imposition on this Honble Court by the said Narran "(whose proceedings herein only are arraigned & said in the said answer to be Illegal "and unjust, and not the said Mr. Burton's) I therefore think it a natural Inference "that if the decree is ill grounded, all future proceedings by virtue of such decree are consequently illegal and unjust. Secondly, for that it appears by the replication put in by the said Narran to the aforesaid answer and to which I beg leave to refer, that the said Narran did impose upon this Honble Court particularly in that he hath obtained a decree for the sum of ninety pagodas upon the mortgage of fifty pagodas with the Interest due thereon, whereas upon an Account Current to be Taken, I am well assured there is not due to him above forty pagodas or thereabouts interest

included, and that the said Narran should have sued upon the ballance of accounts evidently appears from his acknowledging in the said replication that the said first mortgage bond of fifty pagodas was actually included in the Latter mortgage of two hundred & so of course discharged–all which I apprehend to be a substantial reason for alledging the proceedings of the said Narran to be illegal and unjust and that I could no way design thereby to call in question the Character or conduct of the said Mr. Burton.

I come now to speak to the second allegation in Mr. Burton's charge, where he mentions these words, set forth in the said answer of Quoindal Ragana "sale of the said house shall be set aside and the pretended sale thereof shall be declared void" but I apprehend Mr. Burton hath greatly mistaken those words, because the others wch. immediately precede them quite alter the sense of the Thing as will appear by the answer itself which says thus "and therefore this Defendant hopes that the said Order for sale of the said house may be set aside and that the pretended sale thereof shall be declared void"—this part of the charge as well as the foregoing has immediate reference to the proceedings in general of the Complainant and cannot in the least reflect upon the proceedings of Mr. Burton Sheriff who only acted therein by such precept as is before set forth, and therefore consequently could be no ways concerned in the Illegal methods by which that precept was obtained.

however waving what I have before said to vindicate myself in the matters I am charged with, I shall proceed and make it appear that the Things in the said answer alledged, are no more than the common form of Bills Answers &ct. regulated by the Instructions sent to this Hoñble Court by the United East India Company, and allowed & Approved by the practice of the Court of Chancery.

to prove this assertion, I beg leave to quote the Instructions themselves which have reference in several parts thereof to the printed books sent out the same year and as I Conceive to recommend the precedents and rules therein laid down as the best and surest method for our practice in this Hoñble Court, to these books it is I refer and more Especially to two volumes entituled *Praxis Alma Curia Cancellaria* wherein variety of rules, precedents and cases in most suits of Equity are Stated, and particularly in the first volume thereof in the 160 page in the fifth line of the third paragraph, are these remarkable words (in a case wherein an appeal was Lodged to his Majesty in Council to reverse a decree in the Court of Chancery) "the Appellant is thereby damnified about Two Thousand pounds and is advised that the said decree is unjust and ought to be reversed" whereby the Judgment of that High Court is arraigned in very express terms. I infer from hence, that such like allegations being words of course and meer matter of form, naturally arising and very necessary to come to the truth of the cause in question, cannot be detrimental to the character of any one, being Common assertions in all such cases and incerted, as the merit of the Dispute requires and therefore I humbly Conceive that as Such rules are the practical method of these Courts I can be no ways guilty of reflecting on Mr. Burton's conduct in the premises by following the Instructions and rules in those books I have referred to.

At a Consultation

Present

James Macrae Esqr. Governour President.

Robert Symonds. John Roach.

Randall Fowke. Samuel Hyde.

Augustus Burton. Charles Peers.

Wednesday 21th.

The President reads the Mint Account Current for the last month ballance remaining four thousand seven hundred sixty nine rupees and twelve annaes 4769. 12. — which are carried to next month's Account and Six hundred and eleven pagodas, four fanams and seventy cash 611. 4. 70 which are now paid in.

Mint Account read, and ballr. paid in.

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Export Wareho. Accot. read and balla. paid.

Robert Symonds Export Warehousekeeper, reads that Account for the last month ballance due to him one Thousand four hundred ninety six pagodas, thirty fanams and fifty eight cash 1496. 30. 58 which are now paid him.

Import Wareho. Accot. read and balla. paid.

Robert Symonds Import Warehousekeeper reads that account for last month, ballance due from him, Two thousand one hundred thirty two pagodas, Thirty three fanams and one cash–2132. 33. 1 which he now pays in.

Sea Custrs. Account read and Money pd. in.

Randal Fowke Sea Customer reads his Account for the last month vizt.

Custom on goods Imported	Ps. 2014	11	76
do. on grain	422	19	20
Anchorage	34	—	—
Pagodas	2470	31	16

ballance due from him eight thousand two hundred fifty eight pagodas, thirty one fanams and forty four cash 8258. 31. 44 of which he now pays Three thousand 3000 pagodas.

produce of sales of some almonds (unclaimed by any one) paid in.

Randal Fowke Sea Customer, pays into Cash the Sum of nineteen pagodas and a half, the nett proceeds of a bag of Almonds which had lain at the Sea gate godown for many months, unclaimed by any one, and now sold.

Account of Profit & loss in the Storekeeper's Accot. for ye year allowed to be wrote off

Augustus Burton Storekeeper, presents to the Board an Account of Sundry Stores which at ballancing his accounts at the close of the year, he finds broken, worn out or wasted by Drying, leakage and rust and desires leave to write them off to Profit and Loss, at the same time he likewise presents an account of Gains in the weight of Gunpowder the Losses on the several Stores amounting to one hundred Sixty six pagodas, eighteen fanams and sixty six cash 166. 18. 66 and the gains on the Gunpowder to one hundred Seventy one pagodas, seventeen fanams and Seventy cash 171. 17. 70 both which Accounts are entered hereafter, and the several Items of the Profit and Loss being well considered, It was Agreed that he do write off the same, as usual.

Rentl. General pays money into Cash.

Charles Peers Rental General and Scavinger, pays into cash nine hundred and sixty pagodas 960.—on the following accounts vizt.

on account Quit rent	Ps. 600	—	—
Butteca rent & Shroff duty six months	160	—	—
Scavinger's duty	200	—	—
Pagodas	960	—	—

Money pd. in on Mr. Blunts Account.

Messieurs Randal Fowke and Augustus Burton Administrators to the estate of John Blunt Esqr. in behalf of the Company, Pay into Cash agreeable to an order of last Consultation, eight hundred twenty one pagodas & twenty four fanams 821. 24. – in further part of the said John Blunt Esqr. his debt to the Honble Company.

Lists of Investment for the Northern Settlemts. produced.

The Committee appointed to draw out Lists of Investment for the Northern Settlements from the orders this year received from Europe, presents two lists to the Board for Vizagapatam and Ingeram which are entered after this Consultation and Ordered that Letters be dispatched to those places to enclose the same.

West Coast Letters recd. by ship Marlbrô read.

General Letters No. 33, 34 and 35 by the Marlbrô read; the first from the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort Marlbrough, the next from the Deputy Governour alone, and the other from the Chief of Mocomoco, giving an account at large of the Honble Company's affairs on the West Coast, and accompanying their General books, Consultations and particular accounts.

an allowa. to ye. Sultan's son ordd.

The son of the late Sultan of Anacksoongey being come over on this Ship

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Agreed that the Paymaster do provide Lodgings and provisions for him and his Two attendants, not exceeding the sum of Ten pagodas 10 ℔ Mensem for the charges thereof.

Ordered that the Accomptant with Messieurs Fowke and Burton do examine the Accounts and papers received from the West Coast, and report the same to the Board. a Commision appd. to Inspect the [Acco] unts.

Jas. Macrae.
Robt. Symonds.
J. Roach.
Randall Fowke.
Sll. Hyde.
Aug: Burton.
Charles Peers.

Profit and Loss Dr. to Sundry Accounts Pags. 166 . 18 . 66 for the following Stores worn out, worm eaten, broke, dried, wasted, Leaked, rusted, &ct. vizt.

Beeswax 13 lb Wasted and worm eaten		Ps. 1 6 10
General stores vizt.		
3 half minute Glasses	Ps. — 6 60	
2 Lanthorn Glasses	— 6 40	
Iron Crows 12 lb	— 13 57	
Mauls 4	— 5 —	
Scuppernails 10	— 18 10	
Steel 5 lb	— 7 18	
Hooks 7	— 9 —	
Hoops Iron 10	— 9 8	
		2 3 33
Iron Europe .. 5 qrs. . 1 . 14 lb. rusted ..		11 17 70
Red iron .. 7 do. ..		— 6 38
Nails .. .. 4 . 3 . 11 do. ..		24 8 52
Cordage Euro... 21 . 3 . 20 dried ..		7 11 52
Bolt Iron .. 1 . 1 . 15 Rust ..		4 24 11
Seacoals—one Chaldron two bushels wasted..		4 3 20
Tarr 17½ gallons leaked		1 20 35
Stationary ware—two Ink Glasses broke ..		— 1 20
Gunners Stores vizt.		
Two Copper funnels	Ps. 1 20 40	
one do.	1 18 —	
Two Ship Carriages	8 — —	
eight beds	3 1 —	
Seventeen quoins	— 34 —	
Fuzees for granado Shells—118	4 30 70	
Ashen Staves 53 ps. 9 . 23. 12 hand spikes 134 . 6 . 25 . 16	16 12 28	
priming Irons 53fs. 20 . 43 poudr. casks 13 Ps. 4⅓	4 32 43	
pouder Horns 13	1 21 68	
		43 23 45
	Pagodas ..	166 18 66

Sundry Accounts Dr. to Profit and Loss .. for Gunpowder gained in weight—vizt.	Ps. 171 17 70
Gun powder Country .. 7 cas. . 10 md. . ..	Ps. 155 22 40
Gun Powder Europe	15 31 30
Pagodas ..	171 17 70

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List of Investment for Vizagapatam.

		p^{s}.
Long Cloth ordinary nine thousand peices or	300 bales	9000
Salampores ord^{y}. Sixteen thousand p^{s}. or	200 bales	16000
D^{o}. Fine five hundred peices or	5 bales	500

List of Investment for Ingeram vizt.

		p^{s}.
Long Cl^{o}. ord^{y}. seven thousand five hund^{d}. p^{s}. or	250 bales	7500
Salampores ord^{y}. four thousand peices or	50 d^{o}.	4000
D^{o}. fine five hundred peices or	5 d^{o}.	500
Izarees fine—two hundred peices	.. ..	200

21 Dispatched General letters to Vizagapatam and Ingeram.
22 Ship Fid Allah sailed for Ballasore.
23 Ship Buddersahee arrived from Arracan.
24 brig^{t}. Catherine William Hurst arrived from Goa.
— rece^{d}. a general letter from the Governour and Council of Negapatam.
25 Ship Greenwich Captn. Richard Lesingby arrived from England.

At a Consultation

Present

Monday 26th.

James Macrae Esqr.	Governour President.
Robert Symonds.	John Roach.
Randall Fowke.	Samuel Hyde.
Augustus Burton.	Charles Peers.

Greenwich's packet from England opened.

The Packet received from our Honble Masters by the Greenwich Captain Richard Lasingby, was this day opened and found agreeable to the List and

order signed for treasure &c^{t}.

an order signed to the Captain for the delivery of the Treasure, Souldiers wares and stores brought out for this place and

a Committee appt^{d}. to Examine the treasure

Ordered that the Warehousekeeper with M^{r}. Hyde and the Assay Master do examine the Treasure in presence of the Captain, and report the same next Consultation.

Washg. tanks to be cleaned.

The Warehousekeeper represents to the Board that the Washing Tanks are foul, and proposes as they are now almost dry to get them cleaned as it will be done with less trouble and expence than at any other season.

Agreed that he do set about them.

Paymrs. Acc^{o}. read

John Roach Paymaster, reads his Account for the last month vizt.

Charges Garrison	P^{s}. 1311	3	40
Charges Cattle	66	24	—
Charges Hospital	42	20	—
Charges extraordinary	1	1	20
Bombay Presidency	25	—	—
Charges General	458	—	10
Charges Diet	583	12	—
New powder House	385	11	—
Repairs of fortifications	125	32	70
Pagodas ..	2998	32	60

ball^{a}. paid him.

ballance due to him and now paid four hundred ninety eight pagodas thirty two fanams and Sixty cash. 498. 32. 60.

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The Extraordinary expence in this Account arises as hereunder. vizt.

CHARGES EXTRAORDINARY		
Prisoners diet as ℔ Marshals note		P^{s}. 1 1 20
BOMBAY PRESIDENCY		
Allowance money to the widow Burton and her Children.		25 — —
NEW POWDER HOUSE		
workmen employed this month	P^{s}. 83 2 60	
materials d^{o}.	302 8 20	
		385 11 —
Pagodas		411 12 20

Land Cust^{rs}. Ball^{a}. p^{d}. in.

Samuel Hyde Land Customer pays into cash two hundred and seventy pagodas twelve fanams and one cash 270 . 12 . 1 for ballance of his Account for last month.

Storekeeper's Acc^{o}. read ball^{a}. paid in.

Augustus Burton Storekeeper, reads that Account for last month ballance due from him one Thousand four Hundred eighty two pagodas, nine fanams and thirty seven cash 1482 . 9 . 37 which he now pays in.

debate upon y^{e}. Investm^{t}.

The Board then Taking into consideration the List of goods to be provided on the Coast this year received from England by these Ships, and the State of the several Investments, It was AGREED

the management of y^{e}. Fort S^{t}. David Contract to be left entirely to the D. Governour there.

that the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort S^{t}. David having wrote us in their last letter They found an Infinite deal of difficulty in prosecuting our orders relating to the old contract and to making a new one on the footing we directed and It being a month since the receipt of that Letter and those Difficulties, not yet Surmounted, and the Season advanced too far to admit any longer delay, It was therefore AGREED by the Board to write thither and give the Deputy Governour on whose care and endeavours for the good of our Honble Masters the Board can rely, orders to act with respect to our former directions, as he should find most for the Company's interest, and either continue or give up the old Contract, and at the same time to enclose one of the Lists of investment this year sent out, and order him to make a Contract for as many bales as there is a probability can be procured in time, by the old Sett, or any other Merchants there.

price of ord^{y}. cloth at Vizag^{a}. advanced.

the Lists of investment sent to Vizagapatam and Ingeram by agreement in last Consultation, being also again overlooked and Considered, It was Thought necessary and Accordingly AGREED, on account that the Dutch have raised the price of their Ordinary Long Cloth in those parts, to permit the Chief and Council of Vizagapatam to advance one pagoda ℔ corge in that sortment, but with this express proviso that the cloth be amended in proportion to the advance in price and

P^{s}. 1000 fine to be added to the Ingeram list.

The fine cloth which M^{r}. Sanderson sent up last year, proving extreamly good of the kind, the Board were unanimous in their opinion that it would be a benefit to the Company to have some of that Sortment though not expresly indented for this year in their List and that therefore he be permitted to provide as far as one Thousand peices of Fine Long cloth, on condition that It be of equal goodness with the last, or else that it will be returned on his hands.

ORDERED that Letters be despatched to Vizagapatam and Ingeram with these resolves.

Viz^{a}. letter read.

General Letter No. 36 from the Provisional Chief and Council of Vizagapatam dated 29th. April 1729 read; advising the arrival of the Moreton and requesting a supply for the year of Seventeen Thousand 17000 pagodas and Twenty four Thousand 24000 rupees.

Betle Farm rent p^{d}. in.

Poncala Kistnah and Com Chittee Tobacco and betle farmers Pay into Cash eight hundred thirty three pagodas twelve fanams 833 . 12 . — for last month's rent of that farm due the 5th. Instant.

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Arrack farm rent pd. in. — Poncala Kistnah Farmer of the Arrack and wine License pays into cash Three hundred thirty five pagodas 335 for one month's rent of that farm due the 5th. Instant.

Jas. Macrae.
Robr. Symonds.
J. Roach.
Randall Fowke.
Stl. Byde.
Aug: Burton.
Charles Peers.

26. Dispatched General letters to Fort St. David, Vizaga. and Ingeram.
28. Ship Sarum sailed for Bengal by whom Sent a general letter.
29. Ship Edward Capta. David Hunter arrived from Bussorah.
30. Ship Galera Madre de Deos sailed for Macao and
— brigt. Catherine William Hurst, and Ship Caroline Robert Bailie sailed for Bengal.
June 1. Ship Margaret Anne sailed for Vizagapatam.

At a Consultation

Present

Monday 2d.

James Macrae Esqr. Governour President.
Robert Symonds. John Roach.
Randall Fowke. Samuel Hyde.
Charles Peers.

Money advd. Paymr. — The Paymaster requesting money for payment of the Garrison and other disbursements, Ordered that Two Thousand five hundred 2500 pagodas be advanced him on that account.

Arrears &ct. to be paid to ship Marlbrough. Money advd. Storekr. — Captain William Montgomery presents an account of arrears for the Marlbrough and other disbursements, as ℔ particulars entered after this Consultation amounting to four hundred and eighteen pagodas, thirty one fanams and twelve cash 418. 31. 12 for payment of which and other disbursements, Ordered that five Hundred 500 pagodas be advanced the Storekeeper.

petition for headmony. — Petition of John Turing Surgeon of the Greenwich for headmoney for sixteen Soldiers as entered after Consultation read; and Ordered that the Paymaster do discharge the same.

Iron to be sold at outcry — There being fifty Tons of Iron come out by the Greenwich and it bearing a pretty good price at present, Agreed that it be put up at outcry tomorrow morning & that the Secretary do give notice thereof.

Silver ℔ Greenwhich reported to be right. — The Committee appointed to examine the Treasure by the Greenwich, report it to be right.

Jas. Macrae.
Robr. Symonds.
J. Roach.
Randall Fowke.
Sll. Hyde.
Charles Peers.

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To the Honble James Macrae Esqr. &c^t^. Council

of Fort S^t^. George.

An Account of Three months and eighteen days Arrears for myself and Company of the Hoñble Company's ship Marlbrough, from the 8th. February to the 26th. May 1729.

To my own wages and Servant @ P^s^. 18·6 ℔ mensem			..	P^s^. 65 13 20
To Mr. Clark Chief mate	@	12	..	43 7 16
To Mr. Locke Second mate	@	10	..	36 — —
To one European	@	5	..	18 — —
To the Syrang	@	5	..	18 — —
To the Tandel	@	4	..	14 14 32
To the Nocoda Sahab	@	2½	..	9 — —
To the Carpenter	@	5	..	18 — —
To the Caulker	@	3	..	10 28 64
To four Helmsmen	@	3	..	43 7 16
To nineteen Lascars	@	2	..	136 28 64
			Pag^s^.	412 27 52

To Candles at Padang	P^s^. — 25 40	
To oil	1 14 —	
To provision for the Sultan's Son brôt. from Bencoolen by order of the Worsp^l^. Nicolas Morse Esqr. for some part of the Time he was on board ..	4 — —	
		6 3 40
	Pagodas	418 31 12

Fort S^t^. George
May the 30th. 1729.

William Montgomery.

To the Hoñble James Macrae Esqr.

President and Governour &c^r^. Council of Fort S^t^. George.

The humble petition of John Turing is whereas I delivered on shore sixteen soldiers that I may be allowed the Hoñble Company's Allowance for the same, and as in duty bound,

Your Petition^r^. shall ever pray.

Brig^t^. Nelly John West Master Arrived from Mocha. 4.

Ship Duke of York Jonathan Sommers and Marlbrough, Richard Micclesfield, arriv'd from England. —

Received by Pattamar Two letters from the President and Council of Fort William, and one from the Provisional Chief and Council of Vizagapatam. —

brig^t^. Success James Farquhar, arrived from Persia. —

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THURSDAY 5TH.

JAMES MACRAE ESQR. GOVERNOUR PRESIDENT.
ROBERT SYMONDS. JOHN ROACH.
RANDAL FOWKE. SAMUEL HYDE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON. CHARLES PEERS.

Packets from England ℔ Duke of York and Marlbrough, opened. orders for landg. treasure signed and a Comm. apptd. to Inspect it.

The Packets from the Honble Court of Directors by Ships Marlbrough and Duke of York which arrived last night were opened and found right, and the General Letter, Letter from the Secret Committee and other papers read, and an order signed to the Commander of the Duke of York to send ashore the Treasure, Soldiers, wares and stores &ct. consigned to this place, and a Committee consisting of the Warehouse-keeper, Messieurs Hyde and Peers were appointed to examine the treasure.

Genl. Letters read.

General Letters read vizt.

Two from Bengal.

No. 37 and 38 from President and Council of Fort William the former dated 22th. February is Copy of what sent us by the William sloop, the Letter dated 12th. April Advises that the Sloop was put back not having been able to make her passage, as also Captain Tolson in the Heathcote. They likewise desire we will coin at least Two thirds of all the Treasure consigned them from Europe this year, and that we will advise them what proportion of this year's tonnage we can Supply.

from Vizags.

No. 39 from the Provisional Chief and Council of Vizagapatam, serving only to accompany the beforementioned Letter.

Marlbrô's Tresure taken ashore.

Upon debating the contents of the abovementioned Bengal Letter It was AGREED to send for the Treasure from on board the Marlbrough to coin it as fast as possible, in order to comply the better with their request in providing as many rupees as possible for them.

a Letter to Bengal to advise thereof and about ye. Ostenders also of the letter to Captn. Tolson

AGREED to write a Letter thither by Captain David Hunter to advise thereof, also that we expect to be able to provide Three Thousand bales against the dispatch of the ships in January and also to enclose them a Copy of the Letter from the Secret Committee relating to the Two Ostend Ships.

AGREED to send another Copy to be delivered to Captain Tolson, if he be in Ballasore road.

Iron sold @ outcry.

The Storekeeper reports that the Iron put up at outcry by order of last Consultation, sold at Thirteen pagodas ℔ Candy.

JAS. MACRAE.
ROBT. SYMONDS.
J: ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE.
SLL. HYDE.
[*Lacuna*].
CHARLES PEERS.

6. Ship Ramadoo sailed for Calingapatam.

7. brigt. Success and ship Edward sailed for Bengal, by the Latter of whom sent General letters to the President and Council of Bengal and to Captain Tolson in Ballasore road.

9. Ship Shaw Allum William West arrived from Surat.

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

JAMES MACRAE ESQ^R. GOVERNOUR PRESIDENT.
ROBERT SYMONDS. JOHN ROACH.
RANDAL FOWKE. SAMUEL HYDE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON.

MONDAY 9TH.

The Accountant reads the journal parcels for the month of April. *Journal parcels read.*

Nairo Kistnamah Chittee and Com Chittee Farmers of the measuring duty, pay into cash one hundred forty one pagodas, twenty four fanams 141. 24. — for two months rent of that Farm due the 20th. April last. *measuring farm rent paid in.*

Mr. John De Morgan being sent out of England by our Hon̄ble Masters to be a Lieutenant under this Presidency, ORDERED that a Commission be drawn out for him accordingly. *a Commission for Lieut^a. Morgan.*

The Secret Committee of the Hon̄ble Court of Directors having in their Letter to us ordered the Marlbrough and Duke of York to go together to the Bay, on account of the Two Ostend Cruisers, It is AGREED to send the Greenwich also in company with them for their greater Security; but as the Two latter Ships are not yet ready and that Captain Micclesfield in the Marlbrough is under orders for the Bay, RESOLVED to Serve him with an order to wait here, till we can get the other Ships in a readiness to proceed with him, which order was accordingly drawn up, and Signed *the Greenwich to be kept till the other ships are ready. Capt^a Micclesfield served with an order to stay.*

JA^S. MACRAE.
ROB^T. SYMONDS.
J. ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE.
S^LL. HYDE.
[*Lacuna.*]

Ship Wakefeild Thomas Dixon arr^d. from Goa. 11.
Ship Elizabeth Joseph Lovel arr^d. from Surat. —
Ship Charles John Byers came in from Surat, & 12.
Ship Pateraheemany from Porto novo. —
rece^d. a general letter from Ingeram. 14.
Ship Fizerahemany came in from S^t. Thomé. 16.

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

JAMES MACRAE ESQ^R. GOVERNOUR PRESIDENT.
ROBERT SYMONDS. JOHN ROACH.
RANDAL FOWKE. SAMUEL HYDE.
CHARLES PEERS.

MONDAY 16TH.

The Warehousekeeper reports that the Madeira wine received from on board the Duke of York took seven pipes to fill it up which Leakage is considerably more than for some years last past, but that it appears plainly to be from the Badness of the Cask, several of the Staves being full of worm holes and the hoops so slender that They cannot bind the Cask together. *report of y^e. Leakage of the Madeira wine.*

AGREED that the Warehousekeeper do sell it off as fast as he can, not under forty five pagodas ℔ pipe. *to be sold @ P^s. 45.*

General Letter No. 40 from M^r. John Sanderson Resident at Ingeram dated 24th. May 1729 read, complaining of the dearness of Copper dubbs, which he says has prevented his procuring so much as one peice of ordinary cloth, and that if They continue so dear he cañot get any of that sortment, unless he is permitted to advance the price of it. *Genl. letter from Ingeram, read.*

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advª in yᵉ. price of ordʸ. cloth at Ingeram alld. upon considering the said Letter It was AGREED that while the Dubbs are so very dear and Cotton yarn at as high a price as ever, It is certain the cloth cannot be procured so cheap as formerly, and that therefore we will permit him to advance one pagoda ℔ corge in the ordinary Cloth, provided the Dubbs do not fall again to their usual rate.

Supplies of Cash for the Northern Settlemen's. ORDERED that seventeen Thousand 17000 Madras pagodas and twenty four Thousand 24000 Madras rupees be sent to Vizagapatam on one of the Europe ships for the supply of that place for the year and also fifteen Thousand 15000 Madras pagodas, to be Lodged there and sent to Mr. Sanderson at Ingeram for his Supply as he shall write for them.

Land Custrs. Acco. read. Samuel Hyde Land Customer, reads that account for last month vizt.

Choultry Customs .. .. Ps.	317	20	2
Ruby brokerage	1	12	48
Registring slaves	10	8	—
Pagodas	329	4	50

ballance due from him Three hundred and seventeen pagodas, eighteen fanams and fifty cash 317. 18. 50, which is carried to next month's Account.

Rentl. Genl. pays money into Cash. Charles Peers Rental General and Scavinger, pays into Cash, Six hundred fifty three pagodas twenty one fanams 653. 21. — on the following accounts vizt.

account Quit rents .. .. Ps.	436	—	—
Scavinger's duty	217	21	—
Pagodas	653	21	—

head money paid. Petition from the Surgeon of the Duke of York for headmoney for twelve Souldiers read, and ORDERED that the Paymaster do pay the same.

Tobacco farm rent pd. in. Poncala Kistnah and Com Chittee Tobacco & Betle Farmers, pay into cash eight hundred thirty three pagodas, twelve fanams 833. 12. — for one months rent of that farm due the 5th. Instant.

Arrack farm rent pd. in. Poncala Kistnah Farmer of the Arrack & wine license, pays into acsh Three hundred thirty five 335 pagodas for one month's rent of that farm due the 5th. Instt.

Iron to be sold at outcry. The Duke of York's Iron being come ashore, and the last parcel sold at outcry having fetched a very good price, AGREED that this be also put up on thursday next.

JAS. MACRAE.
ROBT. SYMONDS.
J. ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE.
SEL. HYDE.

TO THE HONBLE JAMES MACRAE ESQR.

PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &CT. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

The HUMBLE PETITION OF JOHN WHEALER SHEWETH

That your Petitioner is Surgeon of the Duke of York, from which ship twelve soldiers were delivered ashore here; and being informed that the Honble Compa. have been pleased to allow a gratuity on that Account, humbly prays it may be paid him, and as in duty bound &ct.

16. dispatched a general Letter to Ingeram.
17. brigantine Narasingo sailed for Bimlipatam.
18. Ship Margaret Matthew Rockliffe, arrived from Surat.
— received a General letter from Fort St. David.
19. Ship Nossa Sña de Pregna, arrived from Macao.

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received a general Letter from Vizagapatam. [19]
Ship Shaw Allum William West, sailed for Bengal. 20.
Ship Charles sailed for Bengal. 21.
received a General Letter from the Deputy Governour and C°. of Fort S^t^. David by Sloop Ramah. —

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY 23TH.

JAMES MACRAE ESQ^R^. GOVERNOUR PRESIDENT.
ROBERT SYMONDS. JOHN ROACH.
RANDAL FOWKE. SAMUEL HYDE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON.

Mint Accot. Currt. read balla. paid in.

The President reads the Mint Account Current for the last month ballance remaining twelve thousand eight hundred twenty nine rupees, nine annaes 12829. 9. – which are carried to next month's Account and two hundred fifty seven pagodas nine fanams and seventy Cash 257. 9. 70 which he now pays in.

Paymrs. Accot. read.

John Roach Paymaster, reads that account for last month vizt.

Charges Garrison	P^s^. 1311	34	70
Charges Cattle	66	24	—
Charges Hospital	39	4	—
Charges extraordinary	6	22	—
Bombay Presidency	25	—	—
Fort Marlbrough	4	—	—
Charges general	402	17	20
Charges Diet	583	12	—
New powder House	494	1	55
Repairs of Fortifications	135	26	30
Pag^s^.	3068	34	15

balla pd. him.

ballance due to him five hundred sixty eight pagodas, thirty four fanams and fifteen cash 568. 34. 15 which is now paid him.

Extra. Expence Exd.

The extraordinary expence in this Account arises from the following particulars, vizt.

CHARGES EXTRAORDINARY						
Christening a Soldier's Child ..	P^s^. 1	—	—			
paid 16 Soldiers arrived by the Greenwich f^s^. 12 each	5	12	—			
boathire fetching them ashore ..	—	10	—	P^s^. 6	22	—
BOMBAY PRESIDENCY						
Allowance money to the widow Burton & her Children				25	—	—
FORT MARLBROUGH						
Allowance money to Raja Ooaloodean and his two Servants, from 19th. Instant being 12 days @ P^s^. 10 ₩ mensem				4	—	—
NEW POUDERHOUSE						
Workmen employed this m°. ..	P^s^. 115	35	20			
materials used	378	2	35	494	1	55
				P^s^. 529	23	55

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Sea Custrs. Accot. read.

Randal Fowke Sea Customer, reads that Account for the last month vizt.

Custom on goods imported	Ps.	2564 1 32
Do. on Grain		394 35 28
Anchorage		57 — —
	Pags.	3016 — 60

money pd. in

ballance due from him eight thousand two hundred forty one pagodas, ten fanams and twenty four cash, 8241. 10. 24 of which he pays Seven thousand 7000 pagodas.

Land Custrs. balla. pd. in

Samuel Hyde Land Customer, pays into cash three hundred and seventeen pagodas, eighteen fanams & fifty cash 317. 18. 50 ballance of his last month's Account.

Iron sold @ 14¼ ℔ Ca.

The Storekeeper reports that agreeable to an order in last Consultation, he had put the Iron received by the Duke of York up at outcry, and that it sold for fourteen and a Quarter 14¼ pagodas ℔ candy.

Genl. Letters read. from Ft. St. David.

General Letters read vizt. No. 41 dated 16th. and No. 43 dated 19th. Instant from the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort St. David, in the first They advise that They have contracted with Two sets of Merchants for five hundred bales each and desire we will send them a List of investment to fill up their Contracts. They also enclose their Cash Accounts for the two last months and a list of stores wanting, the other Letter Accompanied invoice and bill of Lading for bales on the Ramah.

from Vizagapatam.

No. 42 from the Provisional Chief and Council of Vizagapatam dated 26th. May serving only to accompany a duplicate of the last Letter from Bengal.

Store to be sent to Fort St. David and a list of Investmt.

Ordered that the Stores indented for from Fort St. David be sent on the Ramah, and that the Warehousekeeper do from the List of investment received this year from England extract a List of the Sortments proper to be provided at Fort St. David for one Thousand bales, to be sent them.

Representation yt. Coral won't sell.

The Sea Customer represents to the Board that Several parcels of the coral brought out last year still lying unsold, he had not been able to collect in the Customs due thereon, not knowing how to fix a proper valuation thereon, and that there being great Quantities come this year which he believes will lie a considerable time unsold he therefore requests orders from the Board what to do therein.

the Customs to be collected on the Manifests from England.

which being Considered and debated, the Board agreed as it is very probable a great part of the said Coral will lie by a considerable time, by which means the Company would be a great while out of their dues for the customs, should the present method of Collecting them on the sales be Continued, that the Sea Customer do value all the coral remaining of ye. former year and what comes this at the valuation mentioned in the Companys register, and collect the Customs thereon at the rate of eight shillings ℔ pagoda, which it is judged will be most for the Company's advantage, now there is so large a quantity at market.

Capta. Dixon's Petition read.

Petition from Captain Thomas Dixon read and ordered to be entered, setting forth that in the year 1726, a Brigantine freighted by him was lost near Vizagapatam, and a part of her cargo saved and paid into the Company's Cash here which money he desires may be paid him as being the rightfull proprietor thereof.

the papers he demds. to be sent to Bengal.

Upon which, having recourse to the entries in our Consultations at that time, It appeared the money was paid into Cash till it should be adjusted between the Claimants whom it belonged to. Mr. Orme the Owner of the vessel making a demand

likewise thereon, and he being now in Bengal whither Captain Dixon is going, It was AGREED to Send all the papers and Accounts relating to that Affair on the Europe ships, and write the Honble President and Council that when the Dispute is decided, we will on advice from them pay the money to the Attorney of the Person to whom it is awarded. to write thither abt. the money lying in our cash.

JAS. MACRAE.
ROBT. SYMONDS.
J. ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE.
SLL. HYDE.
AUG : BURTON.

TO THE HONBLE JAMES MACRAE ESQR.

PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &CT. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

THE HUMBLE PETITION OF THOMAS DIXON

SHEWETH

That in the year 1726 Your Petitioner freighted the Margaret brigantine from Persia to Bengal, and Loaded a Cargo on her of a Considerable value consigned to that port, and during the prosecution of the sd. Voyage the said brigantine was unfortunately lost near Vizagapatam where all the cargo was lost except about four thousand rupees produce of some goods sold upon this Coast part of the Cargo aforesaid, and as your Petitioner is informed the sum of Ps. 1031. 6. 10 being the nett Sum recovered from the wreck was paid into the Honble Company's Cash here which sum your Petitionr. Conceives to be justly due to him and therefore requests your Honour &ct. will be pleased to order the payment of the same to him, and as in duty bound

Your Petioner shall ever pray &ct.

Dispatched a Letter to the Deputy Govr. and Council of Fort St. David. 24.
brigt. Hanmuddee arrived from Surat and 25.
Ship Margaret Mathew Rockliffe, sailed for Bengal. —
Ship Wakefeild Thomas Dixon, sailed for Bengal. 27.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

FRIDAY 27TH.

JAMES MACRAE ESQR. GOVERNOUR PRESIDENT.
ROBERT SYMONDS. JOHN ROACH.
RANDAL FOWKE. SAMUEL HYDE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON. CHARLES PEERS.

Robert Symonds Export Warehousekeeper, reads that Account for the last month, ballance due from him four hundred eighty nine pagodas thirty one fanams and sixteen cash 489. 31. 16 which is carried to next month's Account. Exptt. Wareho. Accot. read.

Robert Symonds Import Warehousekeeper, reads that Account for the last month, ballance due from him Three hundred ninety six pagodas fourteen fanams and thirty two cash 396. 14. 32 which is carried to next month's Account. Impt. Wareho. Accot. read.

Augustus Burton Storekeeper, reads that Account for the last month ballance due from him two hundred eighty eight pagodas Six fanams and fourteen cash 288. 6. 14 which is Carried to the next month's Accôt. Storekeeprs. Acct read.

The Nabob having wrote for the Town Rent for the last year due this month, ORDERED that it be paid with the usual Piscashes. town rent to be pd.

The Warehousekeeper reporting that there are Eighty Two Chests of rupees ready in the Warehouse, Eighty two Chests of

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Rupees on y^{e}. 3 ships to Bengal.

particular orders to be given them ab^{t}. the Ostenders.

ORDERED that he do send Twenty eight on board y^{e}. Marlbrough and twenty seven on each of the other ships to morrow morning, and that the supplies ordered for Vizagapatam and Ingeram be likewise Sent on the Commadore and that the Three ships be dispatched for Bengal to morrow night with orders all to call in at Vizagapatam and not to part company during the remainder of their voyage for fear the Two Ostend Ships which our Honble Masters advise us are come out, should lie any where waiting for them in the way.

JA^{S}. MACRAE.
ROB^{T}. SYMONDS.
J. ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE.
S^{LL}. HYDE.
AUG: BURTON.
CHARLES PEERS.

28. Ship Paterahemanee sailed for Metchlepatam.

30. Ships Greenwich Marlbrough and Duke of York sailed for Vizagapatam and Bengal by whom sent General Letters to the President and Council of Fort William, the Chief and Council of Vizagapatam and Resident at Ingeram.

— Ship St^{a}. Cruce sailed for Macao, and

— Ship Lynn Captain Timothy Tullie, came in from Mocha.

JULY 2^{D}. Sloop Ramah sailed for Fort S^{t}. David.

— Ships Eyles and Drake belonging to the Honble Company arrived from England.

3. received a general Letter from the Deputy Govern^{r}. & Council of Fort S^{t}. David.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THURSDAY 3^{D}.

JAMES MACRAE ESQ^{R}. GOVERNOUR PRESIDENT.
ROBERT SYMONDS. JOHN ROACH.
RANDAL FOWKE. SAMUEL HYDE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON. CHARLES PEERS.

Packets ℘ Drake and Eyles opened. Orders for treasure from both ships, & wares &c^{t}. from the Eyles, signed.

The packets received from Europe by the Drake and Eyles were Opened and found agreeable to the Lists of them and after reading the General Letter, Letter from the Secret Committee, and other papers, an order was made for Captain Ralph Farwinter to deliver his wares, Stores, Soldiers &c^{t}. and for each of the Commanders to send ashore their Treasure to be coined, in order that we may the more fully Comply with the request of the President & Council in Bengal for our coining full two thirds of all the Bullion that should come out to them this year.

a Committee to Examine y^{e}. treasure

ORDERED that the Warehousekeeper with Messieurs Hyde and Peers, do examine the Treasure with the Assay Master and Captains of these Ships.

P^{s}. 2000 Gratuity p^{d}. M^{r}. Turner and £ 17. to Lieu^{t}. Morgan.

Our Honble Masters having ordered the Two Thousand pagodas gratuity to be paid M^{r}. Turner which we stopped the last year till further orders about him from them, AGREED that it be paid as also, Seventeen pounds £17. —. — to Lieutenant John De Morgan which They advise us they omitted to pay him in England.

F^{t}. S^{t}. Dav^{d}. Genl. letter read.

General Letter N°. 44 from the Deputy Governour & Council of Fort S^{t}. David dated 1st. Instant, read; advising that their Merchants had signed their contracts, and desiring a Supply of Cash.

Supply of Cash sent thither.

ORDERED that Ten Thousand 10000 pagodas be sent them on Monday next by twenty Peons, and at the return of the said Peons that Ten Thousand 10000 pagodas more be sent them.

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The President represents to the Board that the season for dispatching the China Ship is so far advanced that it is dangerous to keep her any longer, but that the Bussorah and other Ships not being yet arrived he has not been able to provide Silver for her and therefore desires They will let him have Forty 40 Chests of the Company's Silver which he will replace in Specie before the departure of the Europe Ships for Bengall which is AGREED to, and the Warehousekeeper is ORDERED to deliver the same. *Silver lent the owners of the China ship.*

ORDERED also that the Warehousekeeper do purchase in Town what Silver he can, not exceeding fifty thousand 50000 Pagodas, in order to supply Bengal the better. *Silver to be purchased in town.*

JAS. MACRAE.
ROBT. SYMONDS.
J. ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE.
SLL. HYDE.
AUG: BURTON.
CHARLES PEERS.

Dispatched a Genl. Letter to the D. Govr. and Co. of Fort St. David. 4TH.
received a packet from Vizaga. with two general Letters. 7.
Dispatched a General to Fort St. David. —
Ship Elisabeth sailed for Bengal. 8.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

JAMES MACRAE ESQR. GOVERNOUR PRESIDENT.
ROBERT SYMONDS. JOHN ROACH.
RANDAL FOWKE. SAMUEL HYDE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON. CHARLES PEERS.

TUESDAY 8TH.

The Board having taken into consideration the 48th. Paragraph of the Company's general Letter by the Eyles, wherein They say it is reported that our pagodas are not so well made as formerly came to a resolution that one of the Company's Shroffs shall constantly attend the Mint to overlook all the pagodas before They are Bagged and return all that are not fairly stamped in order to be recoined. *a Shroff ordd. to Examine the pagodas before dd. out of ye. Mint.*

having also considered the 64th. paragraph of the same Letter relating to Mr. Joseph Walsh and perused his Indentures, It was AGREED that he do take his standing agreeable to the tenour of his indentures as Senior Merchant from his arrival, and that he be employed under the Export Warehousekeeper in the room of Mr. Ralph Mansell, who has for a Considerable time had that employ though he is also Assistant to the Land Customer, and that a Committee consisting of Messieurs Symonds, Fowke, Hyde & Peers do examine into the merits of his complaint relating to the refunds and short payments of Salary and diet money, which the Honble Court of Directors have referred to us, and that They report their remarks to the Board—AGREED that Mr. Mansell be appointed a Sorter. *Mr. Walsh appd. a Senr. Merchct. from his Arrival and under ye. Export Wareho. keeper a Committee to Exa. into his Complaint. Mr. Mansel a Sorter.*

The President reads the Cash Account for the month of June ballance remaining, one hundred twenty one Thousand two hundred Sixty four pagodas twenty nine fanams and two cash 121264 : 29 : 2 which are carried to next month's Account. *Cash Accot. for last month read.*

The Nabob having wrote for the Cawngohee duty which is due this month ORDERED that it be paid. *Cawn Gohee duty to be paid.*

The Land Customer reports that a parcel of goods from the Country were endeavoured to be run into the bounds without paying Customs which he had seized, ORDERED that they be sold and the produce divided as usual. *a report of Goods seized, ordd. to be sold.*

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Town Brokerage Cowle, lett.

A Cowle for the Town Brokerage let to Nairo Kistnama Chittee and Com Chittee for seven years to commence the first Instant, in consequence of an agreement mentioned in the measuring Cowle granted to the same people, was this day produced and signed.

Captn. Houghton gives notice of his arrival.

Letter from Captain John Houghton desiring we will Take notice of his arrival here the second instant, read and ORDERED to be entered.

Genl. Letter from Vizaga. read.

General Letters No. 45 and 46 from the Provisional Chief and Council of Vizagapatam read, both dated the tenth ultimo, with their reasons why They cannot provide any ordinary Long Cloth, but giving hopes of getting a quantity of Salampores ordinary.

Quantity of silver spared to the China ship is 36 Chests.

The President acquaints the Board that not having occasion for more than Thirty six 36 Chests of Treasure, he had received no more out of the Warehouse.

JAS. MACRAE.
ROBT. SYMONDS.
J. ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE.
SLL. HYDE.
AUG: BURTON.
CHARLES PEERS.

TO THE HONBLE JAMES MACRAE ESQR.

PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR OF FORT ST. GEORGE &CT. COUNCIL.

HONBLE SR. & SIRS

Having delivered the Honble Company's treasure on shore consigned to the Bay, pursuant to your order and as I presume the same may take a considerable time in Coining, I must request your Honour &ct. will please to take notice of my arrival at this place the second instant, that my Ship Drake may Enter on demorage accordingly. I am with respect,

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedt. Hum. Servant
JOHN HOUGHTON.

FORT ST. GEORGE,
7TH. JULY 1729.

10. Arrived brigt. St. Ignace from Pondicherry.
— Sailed Ship London Charles Grey Master for Bengal.
11. Ship Lyell Captain John Hunter sailed for China and Sta. Cruce Coja Petrose for Manilha.
13. brigantine Hammaddie sailed for Bengal.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY 14TH.

JAMES MACRAE ESQR. GOVERNOUR PRESIDENT.
ROBERT SYMONDS. JOHN ROACH.
RANDAL FOWKE. SAMUEL HYDE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON. CHARLES PEERS.

Account of the loss of the George.

The President produces a Letter which he received from Captain Pye Commander of the George Brigantine giving advice of his being drove ashore near Manare in the Bay of Tutocorin, that the Ship lies near that Fort, and that he hopes to get her off at the change of the Monsoon, but shall want some stores which in his next he will send a List of.

Letter to be wrote to Negapt. & Colombo.

AGREED that Letter be wrote to Negapatam and Colombo, to desire the Dutch Company will supply the Ship out of their Stores; but if not, that we may send a Vessel to her with what may be necessary.

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Journal parcels for May read.

The Accountant reads the Journal parcels for the month of May.

Impt, Wareho. kr. pays money into Cash.

Robert Symonds Import Warhousekeeper, pays into Cash eight Thousand 8000 pagodas on account of Broad Cloth and Lead sold by him.

Major Roach makes his Election of the Councellorship.

The President agreeable to the order in paragraph 57 of the General Letter of the 21th. February last, Called upon Major John Roach to declare which employ he would Accept, whether he would Continue of Council or Major of the Garrison, to which he made answer.

That as he had served the Honble Company upwards of twenty five years in a Military Capacity, and received distinguishing marks of their favour for his service in that way, he could not without some reluctance quit an employment that had given him a title to so much of their esteem, but as it has pleased them to put it to his choice, whether he will resign his Title to the Military service or have the Honour of Sitting at the Council Board, the late decay of his Constitution occasiond by a long fit of Illness induces him to accept of the latter, which though it deprives him of any Immediate Command of the Military, yet it no Ways Lessens his Inclination to venture his Life whenever he shall be Commanded and his Honble Masters occasions call for his Sword to assert their just rights and priviledges at the same time returning his most humble Thanks for this particular favour shewn him, he begs leave to assure this Board that It shall be his whole study to merit his Master's Esteem by a faithfull discharge of his duty in whatever Station he shall be Called to.

Land Custrs. Acco. read.

Samuel Hyde Land Customer, reads that account for last month vizt.

Choultry Custom	Ps.	649	29	37
Rubie brokerage		15	20	20
Registering slaves		29	4	—
	Pagodas	694	17	57

ballance due from him six hundred eighty two pagodas, thirty one fanams & fifty seven Cash. 682. 31. 57 which is Carried to next month's Account.

Petition for head money

Petition from the Surgeon of the Eyles, praying for the usual allowance of Head money for fifteen Souldiers read and Granted.

Report of ye. Treasure ₱ Drake and Eyles.

The Committee appointed to examine the Treasure from on board the Drake and Eyles, deliver their report to the Board as entered after this Consultation.

about ye Contract.

The President represented to the Board, that notwithstanding the indulgence given the Merchants in Consultation of the 24th. February when it was agreed to give them till the first of September to compleat the Contract which shoud have been finished the 31th. of January last, They had nevertheless been very backward in bringing in Cloth and that unless some further measures are Taken to oblige them to bring in Cloth he feared we should be very much disappointed in the quantity necessary for the dispatch of our Ships which being debated, It was Thought that possibly the indulging them with the Broad cloth this year, come and coming from Europe, might be a means to induce them to bring in goods & accordingly the following terms were AGREED to be proposed to them vizt.

that They should provide and deliver seventeen hundred bales of Calicoes on or before the 20th. of January next, in consequence of which They should have the Broad Cloth at Thirty five ₱ Cent on the Invoice but if they did not comply and deliver the said seventeen hundred bales that Then they should pay Ten ₱ Cent more for the Broad Cloth & that the old penalty should be forgiven them if They Complyd with this Contract, in order to do which the better They should be advanced fifteen Thousand 15000 pagodas, without Interest till the 20th. January next.

The Merchants were hereupon Called in and the above proposals offered them, which They refused, alledging that the great droughth in the Country and dearness of Cotton made it very difficult to provide Cloth and that Therefore They could not Comply therewith.

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about y^e. Contract. Whereupon, They were told it was a favour to them that was designed hereby that They had incurred a penalty of near Twenty thousand pagodas by their non-Compliance with the last Contract, that there were now due on that Contract fourteen hundred bales not yet delivered in by them so that the seventeen hundred now proposed to be provided by them was only three hundred more than They were obliged to by their old Contract, and that in consideration thereof, They were to be indulged with all the Companys broad Cloth, but these Arguments not prevailing, the Board came to no Conclusion with them.

JA^S. MACRAE.
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CHARLES PEERS.

TO THE HON^BLE JAMES MACRAE ESQ^R.

PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &C^T. COUNCIL OF FORT S^T. GEORGE.

THE HUMBLE PETITION OF THE SURGEON OF THE EYLES

SHEWETH

That your Petitioner is informed the Honble Company are pleased to allow a Gratuity to the Surgeons of their Ships for Soldiers delivered ashore here and that the Ship Eyles brought hither & delivered fifteen, for which your Petitioner prays he may have the accustomary allowance and as in duty bound,

he shall ever pray.

TO THE HON^BLE JAMES MACRAE ESQ^R.

PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &C^T. COUNCIL OF FORT S^T. GEORGE.

HON^BLE S^R. & SIRS

Herewith we present your Honour &c^t. with the marks, number and Contents of fifty Chests of Bullion receivd from on board the Drake Captain Houghton Commander, & fifty chests more received from on board the Eyles Captain Winter Commander, according to an order of Consultation.

We are
HON^BLE S^R. & S^RS.
Your most Obed^t. hum. Serv^ts.

ROBERT SYMONDS.
SAMUEL HYDE.
CHARLES PEERS.

FORT S^T. GEORGE
JULY 14TH. 1729.

RECE^D. ⅌ DRAKE VIZ^T.

No. 357 Mex^o.	} 4 chests.	
447 Ducat^s.		
448 d^o.		
449 d^o. .. .		
450 @ 466 pill^r. ..	17	,,
467 Pill^r. 3 bags ..	} 1	,,
Fr. Cr^o 1 bag ..		
468 @ 478 F^r. Crowns. ..	11	,,
479 @ 495 Mexico ..	17	,,
	50 Chests.	

REC^D. ⅌ EYLES VIZ^T.

N°. 356 Mexico Chest		1
358 @ 360 Ducat^s.		3
361 Duc. ..	2 bags ..	} 1
Pill^r. ..	1 do. ..	
Mex^o. ..	1 do. ..	
362 Pillar		1
363 @ 401 Mex^o.		39
496 @ 500 D^o.		5
		50 Chests.
	⅌ Drake	50
		100

	lb.	oz^s.		lb.	oz^s.	dwt.	gr^s.
ea. pze.	290	8	is	29066	8	—	—

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PRIVATE SILVER RECEIVED ℔ DRAKE VIZ^{T}.

			ozs.	dwt.	
Chest 357 1 bag marked	John Jackson Bengal pze ..	..	358	10	—
447 1 „	E. M. M. E. for Matt. Empson	..	700	—	—
450 1 „	G. Torriano for Mr. Torriano	..	360	—	—

PRIVATE SILVER RECEIVED ℔ EYLES VIZ^{T}.

Chest 356 1 bag marked	J. Stratton for Mr. Stratton	..	358	—	—
358 2 do.	No. 1 pze 179 and No. 2. 108	..	287	—	—
363 2 do.	T. Eyre for Mr. Eyre ..	..	1000	—	—

Dispatched letters to Negapatam & Colombo about the George. 15.
Ship Severne arrived from Surat. —
recd. a General Letter from Fort St. David, & one from Ingeram. —
Dispatched a General to Fort St. David. 17.
Ship Nossa Senora Pregna sailed for Macao. 20.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY 21TH.

JAMES MACRAE ESQR. GOVERNOUR PRESIDENT.
ROBERT SYMONDS. JOHN ROACH.
RANDAL FOWKE. SAMUEL HYDE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON. CHARLES PEERS.

Mint Acct. Currt: read Balla. paid in.

The President reads the Mint Account Current for the last month, ballance remaining one hundred & fourteen thousand eight hundred ninety seven rupees five annaes 114897. 5. — which are carried to next month's account, & forty seven pagodas sixteen fanams and twenty five cash 47. 16. 25 which are now paid in.

Export and Import Wareho. Accots. read money pd. in

Robert Symonds Export Warehousekeeper, reads that account for the last month, ballance due from him four hundred pagodas nineteen fanams and sixty eight Cash 400. 19. 68 which are carried to next month's account.

Robert Symonds Import Warehousekeeper, reads that account for last month, ballance due from him nine thousand seven hundred forty four pagodas twenty nine fanams & two Cash 9744. 29. 2 of which, he paid last Consultation, eight Thousand 8000 pagodas and now pays in full of the said ballance and on account of goods since sold, Two Thousand 2000 pagodas more.

Paymr. Acco. read.

John Roach Paymaster, reads that Account for the last month vizt.

Charges Garrison..	Ps. 1349	21	60
Charges Cattle	66	24	—
Charges Hospital	41	—	—
Charges extraordinary	138	28	—
Charges General	370	34	40
Bombay Presidency	25	—	—
Fort Marlbrough	10	—	—
Charges Diet	583	12	—
New pouder House	590	14	15
Repairs of Fortifications	125	19	70
Pagodas	3301	10	25

ballance due to him eight hundred and one pagodas ten fanams and twenty five Cash 801. 10. 25 which is now paid.

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Extra. Exp. Exd.

The Extraordinary expence of this account Consists in the following particulars vizt.

CHARGES EXTRAORDINARY vizt.						
paid the Surgeon of the Greenwich's head money for 16 soldiers	Ps. 17	28	—			
paid to 12 soldiers arrived by the Duke of York fs. 12 each	4	—	—			
pd. the Surgeon of the Duke of York's head money for twelve soldiers ..	13	12	—			
pd. boathire fetching the Duke of York's soldiers ashore	—	10	—			
pd. Charges of Cleaning and mending ten washing Tanks	103	14	—			
				Ps. 138	28	—
BOMBAY PRESIDENCY.						
allowance money to the widow Burton and her Children				25	—	—
FORT MARLBROUGH.						
allowance money to Rajah Ooaloodean and his servants				10	—	—
NEW POWDER HOUSE.						
workmen's wages	Ps. 129	17	50	..		
materials used	460	32	45	..		
				590	14	15
Pagodas				764	6	15

Sea Custrs. Acco. read.

Randal Fowke Sea Customer, reads that Account for last month vizt.

Custom on goods imported	Ps. 2724	4	60
ditto on Grain	162	15	8
Anchorage	74	—	—
Pags.	2960	19	68

Money paid in.

ballance due from him, four thousand one hundred sixty nine pagodas Thirty one fanams and twelve Cash Ps. 4169. 31. 12 of which he now pays Two Thousand 2000 pagodas.

Land Custrs. balla. paid in.

Samuel Hyde Land Customer, pays into Cash six hundred Eighty two pagodas thirty one fanams and fifty seven cash 682. 31. 57 Ballance of his Account for last month.

Genl. Letters read From Fort St. David.

General Letters read vizt. No. 48 from the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort St. David dated 12th. Instant, advising the receipt of Ten Thousand pagodas sent them.

from Ingeram.

No. 49 from Mr. John Sanderson Resident at Ingeram, dated 28th. ultimo; complaining of the difficulties he lies under in the providing of Course goods, from the dearness of Cotton & Dubbs, and also from the advance price paid by the Dutch.

Messrs. English and Barrington sworn Aldermen.

The Register of the Mayor's Court attended the Board to advise that Messieurs Richard English & Charles Barrington were Elected Aldermen in the room of Messieurs Lewis Medeiros and Thomas Norman who had resigned and the said Gentlemen being Called in, Took the oaths of Allegiance and of office.

the Sheriff's Court abolished. Justice's to sit weekly at ye. Choultry.

Our Honble Masters in their Letter by the Eyles this year, paragraph 98, having disapproved of the Sheriff's Court, AGREED that it be no longer Continued, and that the Justices set weekly at the Choultry, for punishing of petty offences which are daily Committed in the Town, and which are of too Trivial a nature to be brought before the Quarter Sessions and that the Paymaster do make a pair of Stocks.

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Mr. Pitt not to decide Civil causes.

AGREED also in obedience to the orders in the 95th paragraph of the said Letter to write to Fort St. David to prohibit Mr. Pitt's acting any longer as a Judge of Civil Causes which he was before ordered to do and to enclose a Copy of the paragraph to them.

The Marlbrô to go to Bencoolen.

Indent for Stores complied with.

The Loss of the George making it necessary to send the Marlbrough to Bencoolen, Captain Montgomery delivers in a list of necessary stores for the use of the vessel and for fitting her for the voyage, which being examined into and the Captain called before the Board and making appear the necessity thereof It was ORDERED to be complied with particulars Entered after this Consultation.

Petition from Moodu Rama, rejected.

A Petition from Moodu Ramah to this Board in consequence of a decree of the Court of Appeals, Read; but being a matter properly determinable by the Mayor's Court it was dismissed.

about ye. Contract.

The Company's Merchants being again called in & asked whether They had Considered of the offers made them the last Consultation day and would sign a Contract on those Terms still urged the difficulties of providing Cloth, the Scarcity, and famine and dearness of Cotton, which made the Weavers turn their hands to other work and retire into other Countries where Grain was to be got, which arguments they insisted on so strenously, that the Board came to no agreement with them and therefore dismissed them with an assurance that they would sell the Broad Cloth at Outcry and insist on the performance of the last Contract or Penalty due for the breach thereof.

JAS. MACRAE.
ROBT. SYMONDS.
J. ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE.
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AUG: BURTON.
CHARLES PEERS.

dispatched a letter to Fort St. David, and another to Vizagapatam. 22.
sailed Ship Lynn, bound for Bengal. 23.
brigt. St. Ignacio sailed for Pegue and 24.
brigt. Madras Merchant for Malacca. —
received by Pattamars Two Letters from Bengal, and one from Vizagapatam. 26.

TO THE HONBLE JAMES MACRAE ESQR. &CT. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

SRS.,

A demand for a supply of stores for the use of the Honble Company's Ship the Marlbrough, vizt.

Anchor Sheet of	12	..	one in lieu
Stream	6 2	..	one in lieu
Coire Cables best bower of	12 in	..	one in lieu
small bow	11 „	..	one do.
stream of	8½ „	..	one do.
haulser of six inches		..	one
of 5½		..	one
Euro. rope for lanyds.	5½ incs.	..	one coyle
do.	2¼	..	one coyle
Ratline		..	two Coyles
Coire ropes of	4½ inchs	..	one Coyle

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	inch^{s}	
Coire ropes of	4	two Coyle
	$3\frac{1}{2}$	four
	3	four
	$2\frac{1}{2}$	four
	2	four
	$1\frac{1}{2}$	three
	$1\frac{1}{4}$	Two
Deep sea Leads		Three
Lines		three
hand Leads		four
Lines		four
Logg Lines		twelve
Hambro. d°		twelve
small seizing d°.		twelve
Paint of sorts		fifty pound
Tarr		two barrels
Damar boild up		Cand^{s}. two & half
pot		one
Ladle		one
Oil for the Damar		three jars
for the Lamp, & stores		three d°.
Oakum		five hun^{d}. w^{t}.
Junk fold stream Cable		13 hun^{d}. d°.
Oil for paint wood		Ten Gallons
,, Coconut for small arms		two d°.
Cotton for caulking the pumps and tancks		five maund
Cott°. thred for the lamp		six pound
Tallow		one hun^{d}. pound.
Candles		five maund.
Dungaree for stores		fifteen p^{s}.
Holl^{ds}. Doeck for mend^{g}. the old sails tarpaulins &c^{t}		four bolts.
Beng^{l}. d°. for mend^{g}. sails		one bolt
twine mend^{g}. sails & for stores		$2\frac{1}{2}$ maund
Mainsail Dungaree		one
Maintopsail d°.		one
Foretopsail d°.		one
Spreetsail d°.		one
Mizen d°.		one
flying Jibb fine Canvas		one
Main topmast stay sail		one
fore topmast D°.		one
one suit of Colours		
Sail needles		Sixty
Bolt rope d°.		twelve
Palms		twelve
Pump Ships new		one
,, hand		one
,, Spears		two
,, boxes, upper & lower		twelve
,, Leather		one back
,, nails		two pound
Nails Spike		a quart^{r}. hund^{d}. w^{t}.
of sizes		one hund^{d}. w^{t}.
scupper		twelve pound
Lead		six pound
hooks of sizes		twenty four
Thimbles		forty eight
Staples		twenty four
bars for the hatches		eight
bolts for d°.		sixteen
Lamps Globe		three
Lanthorns tinn		two
Lanthorn horns		one hundred
Chissels		two

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Cold Chissels	two
Goudges	two
Gimblets of sizes	twelve
hinges for post	four pair
hinges for ye. windows	three d°.
padlocks	three
fishgiggs	two
Grind stone	one
Oars, boat	six
yawl	four
buckets, wood	six
Leather	two
baskets	forty eight
barrecoes	six
Rattans	Three hundred
Plank of two inches	three
of three d°.	two
Sheathing boards	twenty four
firewood small	twenty thousd.
pouder Cannon	two barrels
d°. priming	two maund.
Shot for small arms & partridg	a hundd. wt.
flints	two hundred
bits for the guns	six
priming irons	twelve
Spunge staves	three
Rammer & spunge heads	Twelve
Match	six bundles
Cloth for Cartrages	six peices
Paper Bengal	eight Quire
worms for the guns	eight

FORT St. GEORGE
JULY 18TH. 1729.

WILLIAM MONTGOMERY.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

JAMES MACRAE ESQR. GOVERNOUR PRESIDENT.
ROBERT SYMONDS. JOHN ROACH.
RANDAL FOWKE. SAMUEL HYDE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON. CHARLES PEERS.

MONDAY. 28TH.

Augustus Burton Storekeeper, reads his account for last month, ballance due from him six thousand nine hundred twenty eight pagodas twenty three fanams and seventy seven Cash 6928. 23. 77—of which he now pays six thousand five hundred 6500 pagodas. Storekeepers Accot. read. money pd. in

Charles Peers Rental General and Scavinger, pays four hundred and five pagodas eighteen fanams into Cash on the following accounts vizt. Rentl. Genl. pays money into Cash.

Six month's rent of the Company's old Garden due 15th. April	Ps. 175 18 —
Three months' Butteca rent and shroff duty due ult°. May	80 — —
Account Quitrent	150 — —
Pagodas	405 18 —

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Genl. Letters read.

General Letters read vizt.

Two from Bengal.

N°. 50. and 51. from the President and Council of Fort William dated 1st. and 2^{d}. June the first advising the arrival of the Princess Caroline and the Fordwich, and enclosing an account of Rupees wanting in the fifteen Chests sent them on the latter of those vessels, The other advising the arrival of an Ostend ship in the river.

from Vizag^{a}.

N°. 52 from the Provisional Chief and Council of Vizagapatam, to accompany the Bengal Letter.

115 Chests of Rupees ℔ Drake and Eyles.

There being one hundred Chests of rupees ready for the Drake and Eyles, and the Assay Master promising fifteen Chests more by Thursday, Agreed that those Ships be dispatched on Friday next to the Bay.

Betle rent p^{d}. in.

Poncala Kistnah and Com Chittee Tobacco & Betle Farmers, pay into Cash eight hundred thirty three pagodas and Twelve fanams 833. 12. — for one month's rent of that farm due the 5th. Instant.

Arrack farm rent p^{d}. in.

Poncala Kistnah Farmer of the Arrack and wine License, pays into Cash three hundred thirty five 335 pagodas for one month's rent of that Farm due the 5th. Instant.

Cash to be Counted Every month.

The Company in the 67th. paragraph of their Letter by the Eyles having ordered the Cash to be counted monthly at reading the Accoânt, Agreed that it be a standing rule for the future.

Ja^{s}. Macrae.
Robt. Symonds.
J. Roach.
Randall Fowke.
S^{ll}. Hyde.
Aug : Burton.
Charles Peers.

At a Consultation

Present

Thursday 31th.

James Macrae Esqr. Governour President.

Robert Symonds.	John Roach.
Randal Fowke.	Samuel Hyde.
Augustus Burton.	Charles Peers.

about y^{e}. want of Rupees in some Chests sent to Bengal and our proceed^{gs}. thereon.

The Warehousekeeper acquaints the Board that having considered of the Bengal Complaint about short Tale of rupees sent them, he had endeavoured to find out whether the cause of it could arise with us, and accordingly one hundred chests in the Godown received all by weight as customary from the Mint, he had taken thirty and counted them over, and in the whole there was not a rupee missing and that therefore he is of opinion the Cheat must be in the Shroffs at Bengal.

Agreed to write to this Effect to that Presidency.

Rupee bags to be made of F^{t}. S^{t}. Dav^{d}. Dungaree to Complain of y^{e}. Stores lately rec^{d}. from Bengal.

Agreed also that the Rupee Bags be for the future made of Fort S^{t}. David Dungaree, the gunnies lately received from the Bay being so very bad that rupees may be lost through them and that we Complain in our letter by these ships of the badness of them, as also of the Rope and Twine lately received from the Bay.

washers petition to be p^{d}. by the Wareh^{o}. keeper

Petition of Moortee &c^{t}. Washers praying they may be paid in future for their Labour by the Company and not the Merchants, read and Entered.

Granted.

Ordered that the Warehousekeeper do pay them as formerly.

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This day the Company's Merchants being again Called in and a Contract for seventeen hundred bales again proposed to them, It was at last agreed on the following terms about ye. Contract.

that They be advanced Fifteen thousand 15000 pagodas without interest till the 30th. January next, that the Penalty of the last Contract be wholly forgiven them, and nothing more demanded of them on that account, that They have all the Company's Broad Cloth at Thirty five ℔ Cent, and that they shall pay twenty ℔ Cent on the value of all the Bales which they shall deliver short of seventeen hundred Bales by the twentieth of January. Accordingly a Contract being drawn out on these Conditions was mutually signed, and the Money ordered to be paid them to morrow morning. Contract Signed.

Having by order of Consultation of the 21th. Instant, abolished the Sheriff's Court, AGREED that the Register of slaves which was before kept by him be kept by the Land Customer and that of Houses under one hundred pagodas value, by the Justices at the same fees, which were then payable. Regr. of Slaves to be kept by the Land Custr. and Houses by the Justices.

ORDERED that the land Customer do entertain an Interpreter to attend the Justices when they sit at the Choultry. An Interpreter to be Entertd. for ye. Justices.

JAS. MACRAE.
ROBr. SYMONDS.
J. ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE.
SLL. HYDE.
AUG: BURTON.
CHARLES PEERS.

Received a General Letter from the Governr. and Council of Negapatam. —

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

JAMES MACRAE ESQR. GOVERNOUR PRESIDENT.
ROBERT SYMONDS. JOHN ROACH.
RANDAL FOWKE. SAMUEL HYDE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON. CHARLES PEERS.

AUGUST FRIDAY 1ST.

General Letter No. 53 from the Governour and Council of Negapatam dated 5th. August N.S. read, advising that They had forwarded our Packet to Colombo, but could give us no answer relating to the Queries we put them because Manare is under the Government of Zeloan, and they are ignorant what orders the Gentlemen there have, who are entirely independent of Negapatam. Letter from Negapa. read.

The Paymaster requesting money to defray Charges Garrison and other Expences, ORDERED that Two Thousand five huudred 2500 pagodas be advanced him. money advd. the Paymaster.

Mr. Douglas Surgeon at Fort Marlbrough having requested we will send him a Successour, and one Frederick Haag, who came out on the Eyles as an assistant to the Surgeon of her, having the Character from the Passengers and others on board, of being a very Capable man and to understand the Business very well, AGREED that we desire the Captain to spare him for that place. Surgeon Entertd. for Fort Marlbrô.

JAS. MACRAE.
ROBr. SYMONDS.
J. ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE.
SLL. HYDE.
AUG: BURTON.
CHARLES PEERS.

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— Dispatched a General letter to the Govr. & Council of Negapatam.
2. Arrived Ship Prince George from Gombroon.
3. Sailed Ship Severne Thomas Chichester for Bengal also Ships Drake and Eyles, by which latter sent a General Letter of the 31th. ult^{o}. to the President and Council there.
4 received a General Letter from the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort S^{t}. David.
6. dispatched a general Letter to the Provisional Chief & Council of Vizagapatam.
— Ship Grantham Captain Timothy Feild arrived from England.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THURSDAY 7TH.

JAMES MACRAE ESQ^{R}. GOVERNOUR PRESIDENT.
ROBERT SYMONDS. JOHN ROACH.
RANDAL FOWKE. SAMUEL HYDE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON. CHARLES PEERS.

packet ℣ Grantham opened.

The Packet from the Hon̄ble Court of Directors ℣ Ship Grantham was opened, and an order made to the Captain for the delivery of the wares he has on board for this place.

Cash Account read.

The President reads the Cash account for the month of July ballance remaining one hundred and fourteen thousand nine hundred ninety four pagodas thirty two fanams and fifty nine cash 114994. 32. 59 which are carried to next month's account and the money was counted out.

Merch^{ts}. Acc^{o}. Current produced. ball^{a}. paid.

Robert Symonds Export Warehousekeeper, delivers in the Merchant's Account Current till the ultimo July, being the time of Cancelling their old Contract, ballance due to them one Thousand pagodas two fanams and twenty six Cash 1000. 2. 26, which is ORDERED to be paid them.

Imp^{t}. Wareh^{o}.k^{r}. pays money into Cash.

Robert Symonds Import Warehousekeeper pays into cash five thousand 5000 pagodas, on account of Broad cloth delivered the Merchants.

Land Cust^{rs}. Acc^{o}. read.

Samuel Hyde Land Customer, reads that account for last month vizt.

Choultry Customs	P^{s}. 415	16	73
Ruby Brokerage	30	9	54
Registering Slaves	61	28	—
	507	18	47

ballance due from him, four hundred ninety five pagodas thirty two fanams and forty seven Cash 495. 32. 47 which are carried to next month's Account.

Fort S^{t}. D avd^{d}. General Letter read.

General Letter N°. 53 dated 31th. ultimo from the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort S^{t}. David, read; desiring we will give them instructions how to prevent the great inconveniencies which will arise by their Inhabitants being obliged to come up to Madras to get their disputes determined by our Mayor's Court.

To write them.

AGREED that we write them, when such do arise to persuade their Inhabitants to go to arbitration before the Heads of their Casts.

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The President produced a Letter from Captain Pye at Manare dated 23th. July, wherein he says he and the people are all detained prisoners at large. AGREED to write to Colombo and Negapatam, to complain in the most pressing terms of this Treatment & demand their release. a Letter from ye. George. to write to Colombo & Nagapatam.

JAS. MACRAE.
ROBT. SYMONDS.
J. ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE.
SEL. HYDE.
AUG: BURTON.
CHARLES PEERS.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

TUESDAY 12TH.

JAMES MACRAE ESQR.	GOVERNOUR PRESIDENT.
ROBERT SYMONDS.	JOHN ROACH.
RANDAL FOWKE	SAMUEL HYDE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON.	CHARLES PEERS.

Some of the arches of the Garden bridge being Cracked and the pavement worn away, ORDERED that it be repaired and the Expence paid out of the Town Conicoply's duty, and Garden bridge to be repaired.

the Land Customer reporting that some of the Choultry prisons are out of repair, ORDERED that the Paymaster, Mr. Hyde and the Surveyor of the buildings do survey the same, & make their report to the board. Choultry Prisons to be surveyed

there being Two Chests of Coral beads manifested by Ship Drake marked M.D.C., No. 2 and 3, of which Mr. Fowke received an Invoice from Mr. Philip Mendes Da Costa but no bill of lading and for want of such bill of lading could make no demand for them on Captain John Houghton Commander of the Drake, and therefore has not received them, the said Mr. Fowke therefore made oath before the Justices of the peace that he had not received the said Coral and desired as more at large is expressed in his affidavit which he desired might be Entered after this Consultation. Mr. Fowke's Affidavt. about two Chests of Coral manifested but not received.

General Letter No. 54 from the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort St. David dated sixth instant, read desiring we will send them sixty five timbers of Eighteen feet long and seven Inches Thick, and two hundred and fifty sheathing plank for their buildings and a supply of stationary ware for use. Fort St. Davd. General Letter read.

ORDERED that the Storekeeper do provide the Timbers & plank and send them down by the first good conveyance, as also the Stationary ware. Timber and plank to be provided.

Commissions to Lieutenants Thomas Ogden and David Wilson for the Command of the Military here, were this day signed and delivered them by the President. Commissions Signed to Lieuts. Ogden and Wilson.

Mr. Nicholas Morse the present Deputy Governour of Bencoolen having wrote in the most pressing terms to come back, and also having when first Chosen, been allowed the Liberty of Coming away if his health required it without staying for leave from us, The Board agreed to appoint him a successour accordingly, after some consideration Mr. Stephen Newcome formerly Second there, was pitched upon as the most proper person that can be sent; AGREED therefore that he go on the Marlbrough, and that when Mr. Morse comes away he do succeed to the Government of the West Coast, he was accordingly called in, and Acquainted with this resolve. Mr. Newcome Deputy Governr. of Marlbrough.

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Represent^a. about ye. betle Cowle made by the Justices

orders thereupon.

The Justices of the Peace who were ordered in Consult°. of the 21th. ultimo to sit weekly at the Choultry, representing to the Board that they found several persons in the prisons there on complaint of the Tobacco Farmer for breaches of his Cowle and requesting directions how to act in that affair, Resolved that the Justices of the Peace have power to Examine into the Breaches of the several Cowles granted by the Company, and to Enforce the execution of them, and to support the Company's authority, and that therefore They do Examine into Kistna's complaints, and determine therein according to the Cowle.

proposeal relating to Anconah and Mr. Horden. Mr. Horden sent for & [of] ferd any assistance we can give him.

[Ack] knowledges ye. bonds to be due but that there are other omissions in the accounts.

The President proposed to the Board to take into consideration the several paragraphs of the Company's Letters relating to the dispute between Anconah and Mr. Horden the Attorneys of the latter of whom having been Cast in a very considerable sum in the Mayor's Court, he had complained to the Court of Directors and got an order from them for Anconah to give security for any demands he might have on him in censequence of which Mrs. Horden being Called upon to give in any demand she had to make, had declined it which was accordingly wrote to the Court of Directors; who in answer thereto have now recommended Mr. Horden's case to us—wherefore he proposed that we should send for Mr. Horden and assure him of all the assistance we can in Justice give him in this or any other dispute, who being accordingly sent for and attending, told the Board that the bonds recovered in the Mayor's Court by Anconah were Given by him and he had the money for them, but there are some omissions in the Accounts which he believes Anconah and he shall adjust without any trouble to the Board, as he would set forth more at large in writing and deliver to the Board.

Mr. Symonds Excepts a Clause in ye. Contract determined.

Mr. Symonds having excepted to that clause in the Contract signed the 31th. ultimo, with the Merchants relating to their having a key on the Broad Cloth godown as including in it a reflection on his Character, the Board unanimously declared their opinion, that it was never designed to be understood that the Merchants should have a key on Goods in his possession, but that the whole quantity being by Contract sold them, was Theirs, and he was to have a Key to the Godown to prevent their carrying it away till it was paid for.

Jas. Macrae.
Robr. Symonds.
J. Roach.
Randall Fowke
Sl. Hyde.
Aug: Burton.
Charles Peers.

Whereas there are Two Chests of Coral marked M.D.C. N°. 2 and 3 mentioned in the Company's manifest paper ꝑ Ship Drake valued at nine hundred and thirty pounds sterling laden by Mr. Philip Mendes Da Costa Merchant in London and by him Consigned to me Randal Fowke (as ꝑ Invoice bearing date London 24th. February 1728/9) who several times demanded them of Captain John Houghton Commander of said ship but answered he had no chest of that mark on board, and at last telling me he had searched his ship and Examined the Copies of all his bills of Lading, but that no bill of Lading for the two aforesaid Chests could be found, now I the said Randall Fowke do in the presence of the Honble James Macrae Esqr. President and Governour of Fort St. George &ct. Council, depose on oath that I never received the said two Chests aforesaid, neither did I ever to my knowledge receive any bill or bills of Lading or receipt for the same whereby to be enabled to sue for them, to the Truth of which I do swear and have signed this affidavit in Fort St. George this Eleventh day of August Anno 1729.

Jurat Coram nobis Randall Fowke.

James Macrae.
Robert Symonds.
John Roach.
Samuel Hyde.

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dispatched a General Letter to Fort S^t^. David, and received one from Vizagapatam. --
Ship Fizeraheemanee and brigantine Careen both Sailed for Pegue. 13.
Ship Prince George sailed for Bengal. 18.

At a Consultation

Present

James Macrae Esq^R^. Governour President.
Robert Symonds. John Roach.
Randal Fowke. Samuel Hyde.
Augustus Burton.

Monday 18th.

John Roach Pay Master, reads that Account for last month vizt. — Paym^rs^. Acco^t^. read.

Charges Garrison	P^s^.	1388	13	40
Charges Cattle		66	24	—
Charges Hospital		40	10	—
Charges Extraordinary		27	14	—
Bombay Presidency		25	—	—
Fort Marlbrough		10	—	—
Charges General		409	24	40
Charges Diet		583	12	—
New powder House		342	17	50
Repairs of Fortifications		80	10	70
	Pagodas	2973	18	40

ballance due to him, four hundred seventy three pagodas eighteen fanams & forty Cash 473. 18. 40 which is now paid him. — ball^e^. p^d^. him

The Extraordinary Expence of this Account arises from the following particulars vizt. — Extr^e^. Exp^e^.

Charges Extraordinary						
Christening a soldiers Child	P^s^. 1	—	—			
p^d^. 16 Soldiers arrived by the Eyles f^s^. 12 each	5	12	—			
p^d^. the Surgeon of the Eyles head money for 16 soldiers	17	28	—			
boathire fetching them ashore	—	10	—			
p^d^. for provisions for a Doctor's mate sent to Fort S^t^. David on the Ramah Sloop	3	—	—			
				27	14	—
Bombay Presidency allowance money to the widow Burton and her Children				25	—	—
Fort Marlbrough allowance money to Raja Ooaloodean and his servants				10	—	—
New powder House						
workmen's wages	P^s^. 112	32	40			
materials used	229	21	10			
				342	17	50
Pagodas				404	31	50

—FORT ST. GEORGE, AUGUST 1729—

Genl. Letter from Vizag^a. read.

General Letter N°. 55 from the provisional Chief and Council of Vizagapatam dated 17th. ultimo, advising the receit of the Treasure sent to them.

petition from Captain Feild to be disp^d the 20th.

petition from Captain Feild of the Grantham read, Requesting leave to stay till Thursday in order to repair his forecap, which is Split, ORDERED that his Petition be Entered and that he be dispatched on Wednesday next, in order to sail on Thursday.

Lachlan Macnill Discharged.

Petition from Serjeant Lachlan Macknill read and Granted, praying for his discharge from the Military, having served seven years here.

Scheermond's security bond for Ursula Maclaine d^d. up she being dead.

Ursula Maclaine, who was released from her Imprisonment the first of May last on account of her being Great with Child, being since dead in Childbed, AGREED that the Security bond Entered into by Martin Scheermond for her return to prison after her delivery, be cancelled.

no treasure to be sent on y^e. Grantham because she has all ab^d. from Europe.

The President proposed to the Board to Consider whether It be proper to send any of the Treasure we have remaining in our Warehouse on the Grantham to Bengal and It was AGREED that as that Ship has all the Treasure on board which she brought from England and wares and stores for the Bay the Risque is already very Great on her & that therefore It is better and more for the Interest of our Honble Masters to wait for the Compton from Judda and their sloop from the Bay, where They will have no other Risque on board.

a Canister of Bencoolen sugar &c^a. to be sold at outcry.

The Warehousekeeper representing to the Board that there came a Canister of Sugar from Bencoolen on the Marlbrough as a Muster of See Jibb's performances and several remnants of Europe Cloth, druggets, Camlets &c^t. which were damaged, AGREED that the whole be sold at outcry.

rent of y^e. measur^g. farm paid in.

Nairo Kistnama Chittee and Com Chittee Farmers of the measuring duty, pay into Cash one hundred forty one pagodas and twenty four fanams 141. 24. — for two months' rent of that farm due the 20th. June last

Presid^t. calls y^e. members of the Board to get ready for y^e. West Coast. & represents the necessity of send^g. Servants thither.

The President calls upon the several Gentlemen of the Board to prepare the necessary wares and stores for Bencoolen & the reports of their accounts, that every thing may be in readiness for the Marlbrough when the time comes for her dispatch and Represents to them the necessity of supplying that settlement with servants on account of the deaths of M^r. Gollop of Council and Messrs. Fotheringham and Gun, Factors there.

Messrs. Barrington & Hammond Appointed, several vacant Employs here filled up

which being debated, and the Express orders from the Court of Directors not to entertain any Persons in their service on any pretence or Emergency whatever, Considered. It was AGREED although we are ourselves pritty much streightened for Hands that we do send Two persons thither and the List being Called for, It was RESOLVED that M^r. Charles Barrington be sent thither Youngest of Council, and M^r. John Hammond and to fill up the Vacant Employs here occasioned by these removes, it was ORDERED that M^r. Matthew Empson be Assistant to the Paymaster in the room of M^r. Newcome, when he goes, he being the Eldest servant who has no perquisite Employ, that M^r. Holland Goddard be under the Accomptant in the room of M^r. Hammond and under the Import Warehousekeeper in the room of M^r. Empson, and that M^r. Thomas Eyre be under the Storekeeper still continuing in the Secretary's office.

The President represented also to the Board that M^r. John Lauder who was last year ordered to the West Coast and Refused to go, was so far indulged as to be only ordered to Fort S^t. David instead of being immediately dismissed the service, that when he Came there he Continued his Obstinate Temper and refused to do the business assigned him, which had Occasioned his suspension from the service, and that he has ever since resided here in contempt of the Company's Authority and that his Example if permitted longer to stay here, will Encourage others of the like refractory

temper to the same practices and therefore he proposes that Mr. Lauder be dismissed the Company's service and ordered to repair to Europe, which being unanimously AGREED to, the Secretary was ordered to Give him notice to go on some one of the January Ships. Mr. Lauder ordered home.

JAS MACRAE.
ROBT. SYMONDS.
J. ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE.
SLL. HYDE.
AUG: BURTON.

TO THE HONBLE JAMES MACRAE ESQR. &CT. COUNCIL.

HONBLE SIRS

Finding our foreCap split, I beg leave to stay till Thursday, my ship not being able to proceed till we have secured it.

from
HONBLE SIRS
AUGUST 18TH. 1729. Your most humble servt.
TIMOTHY FEILD.

TO THE HONBLE JAMES MACRAE ESQR.

GOVERNOUR AND PRESIDENT OF FORT ST. GEORGE &CT.

THE HUMBLE PETITION OF LACKLEN MACNILL

HUMBLY SHEWETH,

That your humble petitioner having according to contract faithfully served the Honble Company for these seven years by past, and being desirous to see my native Country humbly prays your Honour would be pleased to grant me my discharge, I being a Carpenter by trade and capable of getting Good bread on board any ship in England.

and Your Petitioner shall as in duty bound ever pray.

received a General letter from Mr. Sanderson at Ingeram. 22.
Ship Cauderbux arrived from Cuddalore and —
the Deane Frigate Captain James Nevil from Bussora. —
Ship Grantham sailed for Bengal, and carried a General to the President and Council there. 23.
Ship Harrison arrived from Bussorah. —
Ship Nunganaut sailed for Ternasseree. 24.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

JAMES MACRAE ESQR. GOVERNOUR PRESIDENT. MONDAY 25°
ROBERT SYMONDS. JOHN ROACH.
RANDAL FOWKE. SAMUEL HYDE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON. CHARLES PEERS.

The President reads the Mint Account Current for the last month ballance remaining one hundred sixty six thousand four hundred twenty eight rupees twelve annaes 166428. 12. — which are carried to next month's Account, & one pagoda twenty-six fanams and twenty five cash 1. 26. 25 which is now paid in. Mint Acco. Currt. read balla. paid in.

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Export and Import Wareho. Accots. read, balla. paid in.

Robert Symonds Export Warehousekeeper, reads that account for last month ballance due from him one hundred and one pagodas two fanams and thirty two Cash 101. 2. 32 which he now pays in.

Robert Symonds Import Warehousekeeper, reads that account for last month ballance due from him Two Thousand seven hundred eighty four pagodas eleven fanams and six Cash 2784. 11. 6 which he now pays in.

Sea Custrs. Accot. read.

Randal Fowke Sea Customer reads that Account for last month vizt.

Custom on Goods imported	Ps. 7605	2	4
Do. on Grain	218	9	76
Anchorage	54	—	—
	Pags. 7877	12	—

money paid in.

ballance due from him Ten thousand and fifteen pagodas eight fanams and twelve cash 10015. 8. 12 of which he now pays in two Thousand 2000 pagodas.

Land Custrs. balla. paid in.

Samuel Hyde Land Customer, pays into Cash four hundred ninety five pagodas thirty two fanams and forty seven cash 495. 32. 47 ballance of his account for last month.

Storekeeprs. Accot. read.

Augustus Burton Storekeeper, reads that Account for last month, ballance remaining due from him eight hundred thirty three pagodas two fanams and sixty eight Cash 833. 2. 68 wch. is carried to next months account.

Rentl. Genl. pays money into Cash.

Charles Peers Rental General and Scavinger, pays into Cash four hundred fifty nine pagodas fourteen fanams on the following accounts vizt.

one year's rent of the Garden lett to Sebastian Chanda— due the 25th. March last	Ps. 70	—	—
on account Quit-rents	389	14	—
	Pags. 459	14	—

money advd. the Exprt. Wareho. kr.

The Export Warehousekeeper requesting money to pay the Merchants for Cloth washed before the first instant, and the Washers since, and for other disbursements, Ordered that one Thousand 1000 pagodas be advanced him.

Timbers to be provided for Fort St. Davd.

The Storekeeper reports that he has found a parcel of Timbers of Scantlings required at Fort St. David, but that the Owner Coja Sarkis will not Take less than seven 7 pagodas each, and that there are none else in Town except what Coja George has, who will not take under eight 8 pagodas each. Agreed therefore that he do purchase sixty five of them for Fort St. David.

General Letter from Ingeram.

General Letter No. 56 from Mr. John Sanderson Resident at Ingeram dated first instant, read advising the arrival of the last supply sent him at Vizagapatam, and complaining still of Difficulties in the Investment.

Exportation of silver permitted.

The Board Taking into consideration the purport of the 35th. paragraph of the General Letter by the Eyles, agreed that the Secretary do give publick notice that the Inhabitants and others are at liberty to Carry their silver into the Country uncoined, and that the Prohibition be Taken off.

President remarks on ye. 35th. paragraph of ye. Comps. Letter and his Question to the Board Answer thereto.

Upon this occasion, the President remarking to the Board that there are several very severe aspersions thrown on him in this paragraph as if the prohibition had been laid on for his private advantage, and that he had connived at the breach of that order in such as made it worth his while, solemnly averred that he had never directly or indirectly Carried or permitted others to Carry any silver out of the bounds during the prohibition except in Rupees, and adding that it is necessary for him to clear his reputation, he demanded of them all to declare at the Board whether They directly or indirectly know of any silver being Carried out by him or by others by his Authority and protection to which Every Member of the Board answered by declaring They knew neither directly or indirectly of any such Thing.

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Nundalal and Gopaldaus pay into Cash four hundred 400 pagodas for six month's rent of the Town Brokerage due the last of June. rent of ye. town brokera. paid in.

Poncala Kistnah and Com Chittee Tobacco and betle farmers, pay into cash eight hundred thirty three pagodas twelve fanams 833. 12. —for one month's rent of that farm due the 5th. Instant. rent of ye. letter farm paid in.

Poncala Kistna Farmer of the Arrack & wine license, pays into cash Three hundred Thirty five 335 pagodas, for one month's rent of that farm due the 5th. Instant. rent of ye. Arrack farm paid in.

Petitions from Messrs. Charles Barrington and John Hammond read as Entered hereafter wherein They refuse to go to the West Coast, which petitions being Considered together with the necessity there is for servants there, the Tenour of the Covenants they have Entered into obliging them to serve in any of our Factories where Their service shall be required, and the Company's standing orders relating to refractory servants, It was Resolved that the Secretary do advise those Gentlemen that the Board will give them till this day sevennight to Take a final resolution whether They will go or not, and that if They then refuse to go, They will be dismissed the Company's service and sent home on the January ships. Peticons from Mesrs. Barrington and Hammond. a week longer allowd them. They to be sent home if they then refuse to go to Boncoolen.

to this resolve, Mr. Peers dissented, urging that he Thought it unreasonable to send people home when their Effects are abroad, which may prove their ruin, and therefore he is of opinion They ought only to be suspended in case They refuse to Go. Mr. Peers Dissent thereto.

Jas. Macrae.
Robt. Symonds.
J. Roach.
Randall Fowke.
Sll. Hyde.
Aug: Burton.

When the Question mentioned in the 13. Paragraph of this Consultation was put to me at the Board, I said I did not Directly know that the President had Carried any Silver out of the Bounds which is all I sign to.

Charles Peers.

To the Honble James Macrae Esqr.

President & Governour of Fort St. George &ct. Council.

Honble Sr. and Sirs

I must account it a very great misfortune to find myself appointed a second time to the West Coast, after you appeared to have been so fully satisfied with the reasons I before gave for declining to go thither.

and it gives me the greater concern to perceive that I am now stationed in a lower degree, since I cannot charge myself with having acted anything in the mean time which should subject me to your displeasure, nor do I think otherwise than that I am obliged in Justice to myself to represent to your Honour &ct. that it is an hardship to be postponed to Mr. Lennox &ct. to whom my standing in the Honble Company's service certainly gives me a precedence, and more especially as this seems to be agreeable to the sense of the Honble Company's Letters received this Year.

but besides this, I beg your honour &ct. will take into consideration the regard which our Honble Masters have expressed in the 87th. paragraph of their Letter of 21th. February ₱ Eyles for the Interest and preservation of such of their servants who being engaged in trade might be ruined in their affairs by being sent away, which I hope may be extended to my benefit, as I believe most of the Board are sensible I have for these several years been largely engaged in trade, and as I have at present Large concerns abroad which must take a Considerable time to Get in, I must Suffer an irreparable damage by being absent. I hope to be the more readily favoured in

this Circumstance as such trade being in Consequence of the Generous indulgence Granted us by the Company and the Engaging in it so much encouraged by them, the very nature of the Thing requires some such proper security to be provided.

for these reasons, I hope your Honour &c[t]. will be favourably disposed to Excuse my declining to go thither.

I am
Honble Sir and Sirs
Your faithfull humble servant,
Charles Barrington.

Fort S[t]. George
August 25th. 1729.

To the Honble James Macrae Esq[r].

President and Governour of Fort S[t]. George &c[a]. Council.

Honble S[r]. and Sirs

On Monday last your Secretary acquainted me that by order of your Honour &c[t]. I am appointed to proceed to Fort Marlbrough in about a month's time which gives me occasion humbly to represent to your Hon[r]. &c[t]. that I served the Honble Company upwards of three Years in their Accomptants Office in England for no other Consideration or reward than that I might thereby recommend myself more particularly to their favour, which I humbly apprehend will be esteemed by them and I hope by your Honour &c[t]. equal to any service I can do them at any subordinate settlement for such term, however though I am sorry to Acquaint you the weakness of my Constitution obliges me to refuse Going to the West Coast Yet I shall be willing to serve the Honble Company at any other of their settlements if necessary and required by you notwithstanding the time I served them in England, but if your honour &c[t]. cannot be so favourable as to remit your late order nor accept of my service here or in any other place upon this Coast I humbly request I may be permitted to remain here in the state of suspension till the Honble Company's pleasure be further known, for I do assure you it will be as detrimental to my small fortune to Go to England by this Year's shipping as going to the West Coast may be to my health.

It Concerns me to give your Honour &c[t]. this Trouble but I beg you will be pleased tenderly to Consider what I have above alledged.

I am with Great regard and deference
Honble S[r]. and Sirs
Your most faithfull,
& most Obed[t]. humble servant
John Hammond.

Fort S[t]. George
the 25th. August 1729.

26. Ship Cauderbux sailed for Ballasore.
28. Ship Compton John Missenor arrived from Juddah.
29. received a General Letter from the Deputy Govern[r]. and Council of Fort S[t]. David, and
— one from M[r]. Wallis of Anjengo.
30. sailed Ship Chindadre Tellisingah, for Cuddah.
31. rec[d]. by Pattamars General letters from Bengal and Vizagapatam.

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At a Consultation

Present

September Monday 1st.

James Macrae Esq^{R}. Governour President.
Robert Symonds. John Roach.
Randal Fowke. Samuel Hyde.
Augustus Burton. Charles Peers.

money adv^{d}. y^{e}. Paym^{r}.

The Paymaster requesting money to defray Charges of Garrison and other disbursements, Ordered that Two Thousand five hundred 2500 pagodas be advanced him.

Genl. from Fort S^{t}. David read about a parcel of Salampores and fine Long Cloth.

General Letter N°. 57 dated 27th. August from the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort S^{t}. David read, advising that their Merchants have requested them to Take in fifteen bales of Salampores of two and one eighth $2\frac{1}{8}$ covids broad which were provided before making the present Contract, as also to sort a parcel of Fine Long Cloth to N°. 3 which had been turned out, as not being equal to N°. 2.

the s^{d}. Salampores and Long Cloth to be received.

The purport whereof being Considered it was Agreed that the Deputy Governor and Council there be permitted to Take in the Salampores, provided the difference in bredth be made up in goodness, and also that They may take in the fine Long cloth at an abatement, but that it be left to them to fix it because we are not Judges here how much worse than N°. 2 the said cloth may be which resolves the Board came into for the following reasons vizt.

Reasons for it.

that we have been greatly disappointed this year in the quantities of Cloth we expected, occasioned by the famine in the Country.

d^{o}.

that our Honble Masters are desirous of shewing all reasonable indulgence to their Merchants, which we think this to be for,

that the Fort S^{t}. David Merchants are not Men of great fortunes, and therefore should this quantity of Cloth lie on their hands, it would disable them from making the necessary advances to the Weavers in the Country for the purchase of more cloth.

d^{o}.

that we are never able exactly to comply with the List of Investment from Europe, and therefore we hope if we keep as near it as the Circumstances of time will permit us, It will be approved, especially considering the Salampores were actually provided on the Company's Account for the former contract, and that the Fine Cloth is to be Taken in at a proportionable abatement.

Letter from M^{r}. Wallis read with a packet for England.

Letter N°. 58 from M^{r}. John Wallis of Anjengo dated 16th. July, read, accompanying a packet for the Honble Court of Directors which packet M^{r}. Wallis says contains a summary of the State of the Factory at Anjengo, and is recommended to us in obedience to orders from the Committee of Correspondence, but

reasons for not send^{g}. that packet.

to write to him about it, and

as it is a Standing rule for this Presidency, and we therefore suppose for the other two, that nothing shall be wrote concerning the Company's affairs but in General Letters, Agreed since there is time enough between this & January that we write M^{r}. Wallis our reasons for not forwarding his packet vizt. that neither is the packet recommended by the Chief and Factors at Anjengo, nor has he sent us an attested Copy of his orders from the Committee of Correspondence for sending such advices.

to the Chief & Council of Anjengo.

Agreed also to write to the Chief and Factors at Anjengo of this affair, and enquire whether the packet ought to be sent forward.

Genl. Letters read from Bengal and Vizagapatam.

General Letter N°. 59 from the President and Council of Fort William dated 4th. July read, advising that They will send us up two ships half loaden.

and a General N°. 60 from the Provisional Chief & Council of Vizagapatam dated 6th. August, advising the death of M^{r}. Joseph Goldfinch, and great troubles to the southward.

money paid into Cash by the Imp^{t}. Wareh^{o}. k^{r}.

Robert Symonds Import Warehousekeeper, pays into Cash Two Thousand 2000 pagodas on account broadcloth sold, and

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Silver lent ye. owners of ye. China ship paid back.

reports that he has received the full quantity of the silver lent the Owners of the China ship, but that the price of Silver hath been so high that he hath not been able to comply with the order for purchasing fifty thousand pagodas worth, the price having been from thirteen and seven Eighths dollars to fourteen dollars for ten pagodas, and requests to know whether he shall continue to Look out for any if the price falls.

no Silver to be purchased. reasons why.

Agreed that as we have reason to Expect but little money for bills of exchange this season, and that we may have Large draughts on us from the Bay for produce of Coral sold there we have not a sufficient stock to make any purchase at this time, especially since the Gentlemen in Bengal have been so largely supplied that they are in no want of money there.

Silver and rupees to Go by the Compton.

There being no advice by this Pattamar of the William Sloop's coming from the Bay, and the Compton being now here, agreed to send all the silver and rupees on her that remains in our warehouse, being twenty nine Chests.

a Cowle for Joao Ferreira's garden signed.

A Cowle to Senhora Antonha de Caualho for a garden commonly Called John Fereira's Garden, was this day produced and signed for Ten years, from the Twentieth of August 1729, at the former rent of Twenty four pagodas ℔ Annum.

report of ye. survey of the Choultry Prisons, &ce. repair to be set about.

The Paymaster and Mr. Hyde report that They have been to Survey the Choultry Prisons, and find the Expence of repairing them will by the nearest Computation amount to about forty five pagodas Ordered that They be set about.

Second peticons from Messrs. Barrington and Hammond.

Petitions from Messieurs Barrington & Hammond read as Entered hereafter, wherein They again refuse to go to the West Coast.

Mr. Barrington to be sent second to Fort Malbrough and Mr. Hammond a Factor

both these Gentl. refuse to go & are therefore dismissed the service and ordered home.

upon which the President remarked to the Board that Mr. Barrington seemed to give as a reason for his not going to the West Coast, that Mr. Lennox and others who had been a less time in the service than himself, were put above him, which though he thought was an objection which on due consideration could have little weight in it, because Mr. Barrington was to return hither in three years and keep his seniority in Madras, whereas Messieurs Lennox, Savage and Greenslate being taken into the service particularly for Bencoolen had no other place to rise in but that, and therefore it was too great a discouragement to them to keep them always in the Lower rank though long upon the place and more fully acquainted with the Company's affairs than such as might be sent over from hence for a small time, but however as he was not willing to leave room for a Complaint (though ill grounded) if the Board thought fit he was willing Mr. Barrington should be appointed Second and Accountant there, and that Mr. Hammond might not complain, he further proposed, that during his stay there he should receive Factor's salary & allowances though he be but a Writer of Three years standing here, which Proposals being agreed to, those Gentlemen were severally Called in and acquainted therewith but both of them persisting in their resolutions, the President from the Board Told them they were from this time dismissed the service & must prepare for Europe on the January ships.

Mr. Peers Dissents thereto.

Mr. Peers having the last Consultation dissented to the resolve then made about these Gentlemen, now again repeated his Dissent, and desired to give his reasons for so doing in writing.

Major Roach to Enter into Covenant.

Mr. John Roach not having yet Entered into Covenants, and the Company having ordered Messrs. Turner and Hubbard to reside here as Free Merchants under the usual covenants, Ordered that Indentures be prepared for them.

Jas. Macrae.
Robt. Symonds.
J. Roach.
Randall Fowke.
Sll. Hyde.
Aug: Burton.
Charles Peers.

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To the Honble James Macrae Esqr.

President and Governour of Fort St. George &ct. Council.

Honble Sr. and Sirs

I am very sorry to find the reasons I offered in my paper of 25th. August, are not of force enough to engage you to alter your resolutions of sending me to the West Coast, and that my refusal will be attended with the very severe and yet unprecedented penalty of being dismissed from the Honble Company's Service and immediately sent home as Signified to me by your Secretary the same day. these are very hard terms & Your Honour &ct. must believe I have considered the case thoroughly, yet I Cannot but abide by the reasons I then Gave you for declining to go thither, which I do with all deference still Insist upon as my natural right and agreeable to the Equitable indulgence given in common to their servants by our Honble Masters.

to explain this, I beg leave to observe that in the very Case now depending, They have thought fit in the 123d. paragraph of their Letter ℘ Aurengezeb of 3d. Janry. 1709/10 to direct a milder punishment to be imposed, and that is suspension only till their pleasure shall be known, and which your selves have confirmed to be a Standing order in your Consultation of 8th. April 1728 in Mr. Lauder's case, and therefore I hope I shall not be the first to fall by a Law to be made by you, *ex post Facto*.

If these reasons will not avail with your Honour &ct. to prevent my dismission, I still hope to be so far indulged and earnestly beg to be permitted to stay in India at least till I can Gather in my Effects of which I have much more abroad than I can call my own, and therefore surely it is a very reasonable request, and the refusing such a liberty appears to be so far from the Intentions of the Company, that in the 66th. paragraph of their Letter of 21th. February 1728/9 ℘ Eyles they say "they approve of your indulgence in giving time even to such as are residing in India without their License to Gather in their Effects", how much more then might I Expect to be favoured in this respect, who not only have been encouraged to Carry on an extensive trade under the security of their Covenants which is the most valuable Encouragement in their service, but have otherwise served them near eight years to the best of my Capacity.

Upon the whole, I recommend the premises to your serious consideration, which are of very great Consequence, as thereon depends in a great measure the welfare of

Honble Sr. and Sirs
Your Faithfull Servant,
Charles Barrington.

Fort St. George
1st. September 1729.

To the Honble James Macrae Esqr.

President and Governour of Fort St. George &ct. Council.

Honble Sir and Sirs

The 25th. ultimo I was informed that your Honr. &ct. had taken into your Consideration the purport of what I then laid before you and that your resolutions thereon were, that I must either go to the West Coast or be dismissed the Honble Company's service and sent to England on the January ships. with great concern I observe what I offered to your Honour &ct. in my former was not sufficient to excuse me from going to Fort Marlbrough, but though I must still refuse going thither, hope your honour &ct. will not be so severe as to oblige me to leave this place in January, for upon the security of serving the Honble Company here I have gained a Credit which has enabled me to employ at sea in several hands abundantly more than my own fortune, the returns of which cannot be made in so short a time, therefore I humbly beg you will seriously take the Circumstances of my Case into consideration, and not

exclude me from the benefit of the 123d. paragraph of the Honble Company's Letter ℔ Aurengezebe dated the 3d. January 1709/10 or at least that I may share in the indulgence you gave to persons residing here without their licence, and which they are pleased to approve of in the 66th. paragraph of their Letter this year by Ship Eyles.

I am
Honble Sr. and Sirs
Your Faithful humble servant
John Hammond.

Fort St. George,
the 1st. of September 1729.

2. Dispatched Genl. Letters to the Depty. Govr. & Council of Fort St. David to Mr. Wallis at Anjengo, the Chief and Factors there, to the Resident at Ingeram, and the Provisional Chief & Council of Vizaga. and to the President and Council of Fort William, the last of these by ship Compton.

3. The said Ship sailed for the Bay.

5. brigt. Nelly sailed for do.

9. Ship Narsacoot sailed for Pegue.

11. The Deane frigate sailed for Bengal, with a General Letter of Yesterday's date.

— the Harrison sailed for Bengal.

14. Ship Elohisane arrd. from Pegue & ship Vencatash sailed for Arracan.

19. Ship Buddersahee sailed for Arracan.

21. Ship Margaret Anne John Hunt arrivd. from Vizagapn. with a General Letter from thence.

22. recd. a General from Fort St. David by Sloop Ramah.

23. received a General by Pattamars from Vizagapatam; and by Tappies, one from Fort St. David.

At a Consultation

Present

Thursday 25th.

James Macrae Esqr. Governour President.
Robert Symonds. John Roach.
Randal Fowke. Samuel Hyde.
Augustus Burton. Charles Peers.

Month's Accots. all read vizt.

This day the Accounts for the last month were all produced and read, vizt.

Cash Account mint Account, and the balla. paid in.

by the President, the Cash Account ballance remaining one hundred and seven thousand five hundred seventy three pagodas twenty six fanams and twenty three Cash 107573. 26. 23; also the Mint Account Current ballance remaining due from him fifty Thousand nine hundred and eight rupees twelve annaes 50908. 12. — which are Carried to next month's Account and Eleven pagodas twenty nine fanams and thirty Cash 11. 29. 30 which he now pays in.

Export and Import Wareho. Accots. money paid in.

by Robert Symonds, the Export Warehouse Account ballance due from him four pagodas fifteen fanams and sixty two Cash 4. 15. 62 which are carried forward, as also the Import Warehouse Account ballance due from him Twelve hundred twenty four pagodas seventeen fanams and thirty five Cash 1224. 17. 35 on account of which ballance and for Broad Cloth delivered the Merchants, he paid the first Instant Two Thousand 2000 pagodas and now pays in Three Thousand 3000 more.

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by John Roach, the Paymaster's Account vizt. Paym^{rs}. Account

Charges Garrison	P^s.	1382	24	10
Charges Cattle		66	25	—
Charges hospital		34	16	—
Charges Extraordinary		3	15	50
Bengal Presidency		5	32	—
Fort Marlbrough		20	—	—
Charges General		394	29	65
Charges Diet		583	12	—
new powder house		372	32	—
Repairs of Fortifications		59	20	50
Bombay Presidency		25	5	—
	Pag^s.	2948	26	15

ballance due to him and now paid, four hundred forty eight pagodas twenty six fanams and fifteen cash 448. 26. 15. ball^s. p^d. him.

The Extraordinary expence in this Account arises as hereunder vizt. Extra. Exp.

Charges extraordinary.							
diet to Three prisoners, as ℔ Marshal's note	P^s. 2	15	50				
Christening a Soldier's Child ..	1	—	—	P^s.	3	15	50
Bengal Presidency.							
p^d. the Steward of the Hospital's bills for victualling five of the Grantham's Soldiers for 16 days while They were ashore here	P^s. 5	12	—				
boathire fetching them ashore & sending them off again	—	20	—		5	32	—
Fort Marlbrough.							
allowance money to Raja Ôoaloodean and his servant	P^s. 10	—	—				
d^o. to M^r. Haag a P^s. 10 ℔ mensem while he stays here, he being appointed Surgeon of Fort Marlbrough.	10	—	—		20	—	—
New Powder house.							
Workmen's wages	P^s. 87	—	20				
Materials	285	31	60		372	32	—
Bombay Presidency.							
allowance money to the widow Burton & her Children					25	—	—
				Pag^s.	427	7	50

by Randal Fowke, the Sea Customers Account vizt. Sea Cust^{rs}. Acco^t.

Custom on goods Imported	Pag^s.	989	20	—
D^o. on Grain		272	35	28
Anchorage		87	—	—
	Pag^s.	1349	19	28

ballance due from him, nine Thousand three hundred thirty two pagodas twenty eight fanams and forty Cash 9332. 28. 40 of which he now pays in Three Thousand 3000 pagodas. money p^d. in

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Land Custrs. Accot.

by Samuel Hyde Land Customer, that account vizt.

Choultry Customs	.. ..	Ps. 331 20 52
Ruby brokerage	.. ..	39 — 22
Registring slaves	.. ..	43 4 —
	Pags. ..	413 24 74

ballance due from him four hundred pagodas thirty four fanams and seventy four Cash 400 . 34 . 74 which is Carried to next month's Account.

Storekrs. Accot.

by Augustus Burton Storekeeper, that Account, ballance due from him five hundred seventy four pagodas one fanam and thirty two Cash 574 . 1 . 32 which is Carried forward.

Accot. Salary to be paid. Journl. parcels read.

The Accountant produces the Account Salary for the last six months, amounting to fourteen hundred fifty Eight pagodas twenty five fanams and sixty Cash 1458 . 25 . 60 as ℔ particulars Entered after this Consultation, which is Ordered to be paid, he also produces the Journal parcels for July.

Merchts. Acco. Current balla. pd. them.

The Warehousekeeper produces the Merchant's Account Current for the last month, ballance due to them Eight thousand four hundred forty nine pagodas twenty seven fanams and twenty four Cash 8449 . 27 . 24 which is Ordered to be paid.

money advd. Paymr.

The Paymaster having provided the Coats and Caps for the Military indented for from Bencoolen, requests a further advance of five hundred 500 pagodas to be made him on that account which is Ordered to be done.

Arrears & impress for ye. Marlbrô to be paid. money advd. the Storekeeper.

The Storekeeper produces a List of Arrears & impress for ship Marlbrough amounting to six hundred & eighteen 618 pagodas as ℔ Account entered hereafter, and having Disbursed more on account that ship about four hundred 400 pagodas to be brought to Account this month, he requests that for these particulars and to pay for Fifty Candy of Salt Petre for Gunpowder, he may be advanced fifteen hundred 1500 pagodas, which was Ordered him.

rent of Antonha Caualho's Garden paid in.

The Secretary pays into Cash Twenty four 24 pagodas being for one years rent of a Garden lett to Antonha Caualho due the 20th. August.

four mos. pay advd. the Surgeon for Fort Marlbrough.

The Surgeon Entertained for Fort Marlbrough requesting to have some money advanced him in order to fit him out for the Voyage, Agreed that four months Salary be advanced of which notice to be given in the General Letter.

old Plank & other old stores to be sold at outcry.

There being a parcel of old worn out and broken Guns in the Company's stores, Agreed that They be sent on board the Marlbrough for Ballast and some old plank from Fort St. David, and other stores broken and worn out from thence and Fort Marlbrough, Ordered that They be sold at outcry.

Genl. Letters read.

General Letters read vizt.

Two from Vizagapatam. Supplies of Men and Warlike Stores &ct. ordered thither.

No. 61 and 62 dated 27th. August and 1st. September from the Provisional Chief and Council of Vizagapatam Read, giving an Account of Great Disturbances there from one Subanah, and that They are Apprehensive of an attempt upon them. There being a ship now in the road bound thither, Agreed that we send eighteen Centinels, a Serjeant and a Corporal on her, and Two Cohorn Mortars with Two Barrels of Europe powder, and the Stores indented for by them all but the Four Thousand flints of which we have none in store, but the Gunner having some, Agreed that for this Emergency we purchase one Thousand of him to send them.

Two from Fort St. Davd.

General Letter No. 63 and 64 both dated 20th. Septemr. from the Deputy Governor and Council of Fort St. David the first Enclosing invoice and bill of Lading for Callicoes on the Ramah and an indent for stores, the other Enclosed their Account Current with this Presidency, their Cash Account for last month and indent for wares.

their Indent to be Complied with.

Agreed that the said indents be Complied with as far as we have in store, and sent on the Ramah.

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having in Consultation of the third February last Fixed the prices of Paddy and Rice in order to relieve the Poor, It hath been found by Experience that the said regulation had not its desired Effect, and the season for importing of Grain now coming on, and there being reason to believe that if that Regulation be Continued great Quantities will be Carried to other places which would else come hither; It is AGREED to Take off the said order, and to permit every one to sell as They Can. prices fixed for Sale of Paddy &c^{ta}. taken off.

The Committee appointed to Inspect the West Coast Accounts deliver in their report of the same, which is Entered hereafter and a Copy thereof ordered to be sent to Bencoolen on the Marlbrough which ship it is AGREED to Dispatch the fourth of the next month. Report of y^{e}. West Coast Account. ship to be disp^{d}. y^{e}. 4th.

The Dismission of Messieurs Barrington & Hammond and the deaths of Messieurs English, Goldfinch and Bracstone having reduced the number of the Company's Convenanted Servants so low that we cannot supply the West Coast though much in want. It is AGREED to fill up the vacancy in the Council there by appointing M^{r}. William Rigg youngest of that Board. M^{r}. Rigg to be of Council there.

The Secretary produces the indentures for M^{r}. John Roach which are signed, and a Security bond of one thousand pounds executed by him and M^{r}. Symonds and Transmitted to M^{r}. Pitt at Fort S^{t}. David the other Security, to be signed. [*a few words lost.*]

The death of M^{r}. English having made vacancies in the Employs of Searcher at the Seagate and Sub Accountant, AGREED that M^{r}. Joseph Walsh do enter upon those Employs, and that M. William Monson do succeed him under the Export Warehousekeeper. [*a few words lost.*] Export Wareh^{o}.k^{r}.

AGREED that M^{r}. Philip Tullie be youngest of Council at Vizagapatam in the room of M^{r}. Joseph Goldfinch deceased and that he continue Secretary. M^{r}. Tullie of Council at Vizag^{a}.

M^{r}. Peers delivers to the Board a Paper containing his reasons for Disssenting to the sending Messieurs Barrington and Hammond home in January, which is Entered hereafter. M^{r}. Peers Dissent ab^{o}. Messrs. Barrington and Hammond.

The President proposed to the Board to send a message to the Mayor's Court to acquaint them that M^{r}. Charles Barrington, having broke through his Covenants is dismissed the Company's service and has no further priviledges either as a Company's servant or a Free Merchant and that therefore we recommended to them to Chuse a New Alderman in his room as also that we further recommend to them that they do observe not to Chuse any Person who has not the Company's Licence to continue abroad, which being AGREED to, the Secretary was ordered to signifie the same to them. A Message to the Mayor's Court to Chuse a new Alderman in y^{e}. room of M^{r}. Barrington.

JA^{S}. MACRAE.
ROB^{T}. SYMONDS.
J. ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE.
S^{LL}. HYDE.
AUG: BURTON.

sailed ship Margaret Anne for Vizagapatam, with a General Letter to the Provisional Chief & Council there. 26.

ship Betsey Litchcot Upton sailed for Surat. —

Dispatched Peons with a general letter to Vizagapatam. 27.

Arrived ship Verabudree from Ganjam. 28.

received a General letter from the Govern^{r}. and Council of Negapatam. 29.

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Dr. SUNCA RAMAH AND TOMBY CHITTEE. Cr.

1729							
July 31st.	To Custom 5 ℔ Cent.	Ps. 254 21 42	Augt. 31	by Goods received.			
Augt. 31.	To do.	205 12 9		122 bales ..	Ps. 8706 11 —		
	To Washers ..	36 1 14		by Custom 2¾ ℔ Cent ..	239 15 19		
		Pags. 495 34 75					
	To ballance	8449 27 24					
	Pagodas ..	8945 26 19		Pagodas ..	8945 26 19		

FORT Sr. GEORGE,
31TH. AUGUST 1729.

ERRORS EXCEPTED
℔ ROBERT SYMONDS.
Export Warehº.kr.

ACCOUNT SALARY due to the Company's Covenanted Servants from the 25th. March to the 25th. September 1729.

	℔ Ann. £			
The Hon. James Macrae Esqr. President and Governour ..	200	100 — —		
Do. Gratuity	100	50 — —	£150 — —	Ps. 333 12 —
Robert Symonds Esqr. Second of Council	100	..	50 — —	111 4 —
John Roach Esqr. Third	70	..	35 — —	77 28 —
Randal Fowke Esqr. Fourth ..	50	25 — —		
Do. reading divine service to 2d. July is 3mo. 7ds.	50	13 9 2	38 9 2	85 16 53
Samuel Hyde Esqr. Fifth	40	..	20 — —	44 16 —
Augustus Burton Esqr. Sixth ..	40	..	20 — —	44 16 —
Mr. Charles Peers Seventh	40	..	20 — —	44 16 —
Mr. Stephen Newcome Senior Merchant	40	..	20 — —	44 16 —
Mr. George Torriano do. ..	40	20 — —		
Do. Gratuity as Secretary ..	10	5 — —		
Do. reading divine service to 2d. July is 3 mo. 7 ds.	50	13 9 2	38 9 2	85 16 53
Mr. Paul Foxley Senior Merchant..	40	..	20 — —	44 16 —
Mr. Mattew Empson Junr. Mercht.. to 25th. June 3 mo.	30	7 10 —		
Do. Senior Mercht. from do. 3 mo.	40	10 — —	17 10 —	38 32 —
Mr. Ralph Mansell Junr. Mercht. to 18 June is .. .. .. 2 : 23	30	6 18 —		
Do. Senior Mercht. from do. 3 : 7	40	10 15 4	17 13 4	39 9 27
Mr. Joseph Walsh Senior Mercht. from 2d. July	40	..	9 3 9	20 15 —
Mr. William Monson Junior Merchant	30	..	15 — —	33 12 —
Mr. John Stratton do.	30	..	15 — —	33 12 —
Mr. John Bulkley do.	30	..	15 — —	33 12 —

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	℔ Ann.										
	£										
Mr. Thomas Weston Factor and Assay Master	80	..			£ 40	—	—	Ps. 88	32	—
Mr. Thomas Eyre Factor ..	15	..			7	10	—	16	24	—
Mr. Samuel Parkes Do. ..	15	..			7	10	—	16	24	—
Mr. Holland Goddard Do. ..	15	..			7	10	—	16	24	—
Mr. Wood Smart Writer ..	5	..			2	10	—	5	20	—
Mr. John Savage Do. ..	5	..			2	10	—	5	20	—
Mr. Richard Dockwra do. ..	5	..			2	10	—	5	20	—
Mr. William Martin do. ..	5	..			2	10	—	5	20	—
the revd. Mr. Thomas Consett Chaplain from 2d. July mo. 2 ds. 23 ..	100	..			22	19	4½	51	1	40
Mr. Matthew Lindsay Surgeon ..	36	..			18	—	—	40	—	—
Mr. Richard English Junr. Mercht. to 25th. June is 3 mo.	30	£ 7	10	—						
Do. Senr. Mercht. from do. to 2d. Septr. 2, 7	40	7	8	8						
					14	[1]8	8	33	6	54
		ms.	ds.							
Mr. Charles Barrington Factor to 1st. Septr. is	15	5	6		6	9	11¼	14	15	60
Mr. Edward Bracstone Writer to the 16th June	5	..			1	1	4½	2	13	40
Mr. John Hammond do. to 1st. Septemr. is	5	5	6		2	3	3¾	4	29	20
Mr. Andrew Pechier Surgeon to the 14th. Septr.	36	5	20		16	19	4¼	37	25	33
					£ 656	7	5¼	1458	25	60

FORT St. GEORGE
SEPTR. 25TH. 1729.

ERRORS EXCEPTED
℔ ROBERT SYMONDS.
*Accompt*t.

TO THE HONBLE JAMES MACRAE ESQR.
&CT. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

An Account of four month's impress for myself and Company of the Honble Company's Ship the Marlbrough.

Commencing the 27th. September 1729 vizt.

To my own wages @ Ps. 18 ℔ month	.. ..	Ps. 72	—
to the Chief Mate Wm. Clark	12 ℔ do.	48	—
to the 2d. Mate John Lock	10 ℔ do.	40	—
to the Syrang	5	20	—
to the Carpenter	5	20	—
to the Caulker	3	12	—
to the Tandell	4	16	—
to an European	5	20	—
to four Helmsmen	3	48	—
to the Nockoda Sahab	2½	10	—
to nineteen Lascars	2 ℔ Do. each	152	—
	Pags.	458	—

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22TH. SEPTR. 1729.

WILLIAM MONTGOMERY.

An Account of Arrears for myself and Officers of the Honble Company's ship Marlbrough-Four month's pay from the 26th. May to the 26th. September 1729.

To my own wages	@ Ps. 18 ℔ mo.	Ps. 72	—
To the Chief Mate William Clark	12 ℔ do.	48	—
To the Second mate John Lock	10 ℔ do.	40	—
	Pagodas	160	—

WILLIAM MONTGOMERY.

—FORT ST. GEORGE, SEPTEMBER 1729—

To the Honble James Macrae Esqr.

President and Governour of Fort St. George, &cr. Council.

Honble Sr. and Sirs

Pursuant to an order of Consultation dated 21th. May, appointing us to inspect the West Coast books and papers and report to this Board what is therein Contained relating to the state and condition of that Settlement, we come now to acquaint your Honour &ct. that the care the Supravisor has taken to rectifie the oversights mentioned in our last Letter wrote them ℔ the Marlbrough, and the regular method into which he has brought the accounts and affairs there leaves us but little room for particular remarks, we shall however touch upon some material occurrences as have happend between the dispatch of the James and Mary and the date of this their last Letter of the 27th. January 1728/9.

the difficulty the Gentlemen at Fort Marlbrough do and have always Laboured under for want of Good and sufficient boats to load and unload their ships is so apparent that no pains or Expence should be wanting to remedy that evil and the method proposed by them of having flat bottomed boats built at Pegue would probably answer the Intent, was the danger and trouble of transporting such boats thither to be surmounted, we humbly conceive such boats could be built there could we supply them with Teak from hence or that Prows could be hired to fetch it from Javah, the disposition that is made with the Sultan for shipping the pepper in the Anacksoongey Country must in a few years save the Company a great deal of money, due care therefore ought to be taken to keep the Sultan Gondom to his agreement and to supply him with materials for that service.

We observe ℔ Consulta. of the 13th. Janry. 1728/9 there is a defficiency of 7 Coyan and 227 bamboos of salt and ten pound of brimstone sent over by the Marlbrough which is much more in proportion to the quantity wanting in the former Cargo ℔ the same ship, at the same time the Gentlemen there Believe Captain Montgomery to have Taken all the care imaginable to prevent any waste or Embezzlement, it must therefore follow that the ship was not in so good condition as the former Voyage, or some deceit has been practised in the measurage to prevent which the Captain should employ his Syrang or some other person, to see it measured here and deliver it at the designed port, and as the Captain has cleared himself it is but reasonable that 3 Coyan and 627 bamboos be wrote off our books.

The reasons given for the indolence of the meaner sort of people among the Malays and their backwardness to cultivate the pepper plantations are so manifest that till the interest of money is reduced and that abominable Custom of making their Debtors, slaves, be abolished, It is not to be imagined that any great Quantity of pepper can be procured; towards accomplishing of which the paying for Pepper with ready money and Taking Care that an Equal distribution be made of the same will very much contribute.

The condition of See Jibb seems to be desperate and so long as such a weight of Debt hangs upon him It is not to be supposed he will use any great Efforts to extricate himself, or that any one else will join with him in Carrying on the sugar and arrack manufacture till it shall be put on such a footing as shall give him some hopes of working himself clear, and that those who join with him be not involved in his bad Circumstances.

The muster of Sugar sent over by the Marlbrough sold at outcry for Ps. 8¼ ℔ Candy, which was a tolerable good price considering its courseness and Colour.

If the reasons given by Mr. Fotheringham in his letter of the 22th. July to the Deputy Governour & Council are true, of which They can be the only Capable judges we see no reason why the Estate of the deceased Mr. Fotheringham should be answerable for the deficiency which happened to that parcel of Pepper, though it was more than had happened upon any the like occasion, we find likewise that Gentleman's Character cleared in relation to his management of affairs at MocoMoco by Captain

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Charles Gough and M^r^. Samuel Green and afterwards upon the return of M^r^. Gollop from thence, the troubles which happened in the Anacksoongey Country seem to Take their rise from the rash management of Sultan Tookhaderoo Allah, who has received the just reward of his Tyranny and oppression.

Sultan Gondom appears to be a peaceable well meaning Man of a Malay, and great care ought to be taken to preserve his friendship, towards which the removal of Sultan Tookhaderoo Allah's son was a necessary step to make him easy in his Government and engage him to be faithful to the Honble Company especially when they have in their possession a person Capable of giving him some Jealousie if he should ever swerve from his duty and obligations-the Complementing him with the deceased Sultan's slaves was Good policy especially as he promises they should be Employed in the Pepper plantations, of the same service may be the obliging the Mantrees and Proateens if rightly applied as we doubt not but it will be, as likewise a proper encouragement given to the Souldiers and Bugguesses according to their merit.

If the disorders committed so frequently at Bencoolen can be remedied at so small a Charge as Continuing upon pay the six Bugguese soldiers formerly a Guard to the hospital though six more be added to them it is a Charge that may be well allowed especially when part of the Fines arising from the breach of the peace and the like trespasses be appropriated towards that Expence.

We can say no more to the new buildings and the disposition that has been made for the Conveniency of Lodging the Military, Gunners, and other stores with such fortifications as are absolutely necessary but that we have reason to believe that Supra-Visor will take care that those expences be managed with the greatest frugality.

Considering the service that the Arab Lascars are to the Company, and that it is with some difficultly the Gentlemen at Fort Marlbrough have persuaded those now there, to stay some time longer, the sending some Lascars and Caulkers by this conveyance ought not to be neglected.

The Deputy Governour and Council in the sixth paragraph of their Letter under the head of Factors, Officers &c^t^. Inform that They have sufficient in the Company's Cash to answer all deficiencies of Pepper laid to M^r^. Fotheringham's charge, and urge some reasons for excuse for allowing him so long a time.

though we cannot Think the selling of the Slave Stephen referred to in their General Letter, was regular, yet as he by his Ill life has rendered himself useless, it was prudently done to let his new Master make the most of his bargain.

The Complaint of the Bugguese Soldiers of an Irregular sale of the Effects of the Dattoo Bugguees deceased vanishes upon the representation the Deputy Governour and Council give of that Affair.

Under the head of Accounts we find the deceased Philip Heigham Wheake charged with deficiencies at Mocomoco amounting to \$ 482. 2. 5— the greatest part of which seems to be tolerably well accounted for, only \$ 66. 1. 49, most or all of the articles of which this latter sum is composed, seem to be appropriated to his own use and for which he ought to be accountable, the rest may as the Provisional Accomptant observes, be consumed by age, rust, lost or stole in so long a time, and some made use of on the Company's Account & not regularly Charged, wherefore we cannot think M^r^. Wheake's Estate answerable for the whole sum of \$ 482. 2. 5 as may plainly appear by the Accomptant's report entered after Consultation of the 13th. January 1728/9 and as there was formerly a Linguist allowed at eight dollars ℔ month, it is not unreasonable if he was Capable of supplying the want of one, though he has not charged it in his Account, some allowance should be made him, and though such allowance were but one half of the Customary pay for the time he was at Mocomoco yet that half pay may be equal to the \$ 66. 1. 49 he is charged for the deficiencies, but of that the Gentlemen of the West Coast are the best Judges.

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There has been so much already said of See Jibb's large ballance, that little more can be done than to remind the Deputy Govern^{r}. not by any means to permit him to encrease it.

We are
HON^{BLE} SIR & SIRS
Your most Obed^{t}. humble serv^{ts}.
ROBERT SYMONDS.
RANDAL FOWKE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON.

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE,
SEPT^{R}. 1729.

TO THE HON^{BLE} JAMES MACRAE ESQ^{R}.

PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE, &C^{A}. COUNCIL.

HONBLE S^{R}. AND SIRS

I now take the Liberty allowed me by the Honble Company to deliver in my reasons for dissenting to the orders of this Board made the first Instant for dismissing Messrs. Barrington and Hammond from the Company's service and sending them to England on the first Ships in consequence of their declining to Go to the West Coast They are, that the Honble Company speaking of sending servants thither say in the 123^{d}. paragraph of their letter P^{r}. Aurengzebe, "If any Person you shall pitch upon "refuse do you suspend him and give us the reasons and await our further orders" which plainly Implies that we are to wait till we can hear from them concerning those who refuse to Go thither, and that we shall not send such persons from hence till They advise us so to do.

by the 35th. paragraph of the Court of Directors Letter dated the 27th. October 1714 They do not even in cases of refractoriness Give leave for any thing more than suspension. If they have expressed themselves so tenderly after They have directed Cautions & reproofs to be made use of, I can't perceive how they will approve of Dismissing and sending home immediately before it is possible for people to Gather in their effects and in the 77th. paragraph of the same letter They are pleased further to say "we lay it down as a Standing permanent order what we have before herein written as to your power of Suspending any who will not obey Your orders" from whence it may be inferred That they do not allow of any thing more than suspension.

As it is Evident M^{r}. Barrington has traded Considerably since in the Company's service and has now as it is reasonable to believe large Concerns at Sea, which cannot at this season of the Year be collected in, and as M^{r}. Hammond sets forth in his paper that he labours under the same inconveniency, They beg the liberty of staying here till their Honble Master's Determination shall be known. I am of opinion that the Company considering these Circumstances will think it but reasonable to Grant such permission for they by the 66th. Paragraph of their Letter ℘ Eyles this year, are so favourable to say "We approve of your indulgence in giving time to such as are residing in India without our leave to gather in their Effects" and if They are so Good to allow this indulgence to People who come out without their license I presume They will judge it an hardship for those who come abroad in their service and have not behaved themselves unjustly, to be sent from hence when their Effects are at sea and their Accounts unadjusted, as it may in great measure tend to their ruin.

I beg leave to add further that when M^{r}. Elwick was accused of having been Guilty of Crimes of a very high nature, as appears ℘ a Consultation of 8th. August 1720 Yet the then President and Council after they had Examined the Honble Company's orders did not Think that They could inflict any thing more on him than suspension which was judged by them to be the greatest punishment that was permitted by the Honble Company.

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for the above reasons I am only induced to suspend Messieurs Barrington and Hammond and am for permitting them to remain in India till the Honble Company's pleasure be known.

I am with great respect
HON^BLE S^R. AND SIRS
Your most obed^t. hum. serv^t.
CHARLES PEERS.

FORT S^T. GEORGE
6TH. SEPTEM^R. 1729.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

JAMES MACRAE ESQ^R. GOVERNOUR PRESIDENT.
ROBERT SYMONDS. JOHN ROACH.
RANDAL FOWKE. SAMUEL HYDE.
CHARLES PEERS.

MONDAY 29TH.

There being one David Williams here who was bred a surgeon and is a Capable Man and willing to Go to the West Coast as Surgeons Mate, AGREED that he be Entertained as such, and sent thither on the Marlbrough. A Surgeon's mate to Bencoolen.

ORDERED that John Wilson and Thomas Cox Two Military Men do go thither likewise on this Ship and that the Latter have Three month's pay advanced him and two Sold^rs. thither, one a Ship-wright.

he being by Trade a ship Wright, AGREED that we do permit the Deputy Governour and Council there if They find him Capable and serviceable, to Give him such advance to his soldiers Pay as They find he deserves. to have such adv^a. pay as the D. Govr. & Co. find he deserves

ORDERED the following sums to be paid for Charges of passage to the West Coast vizt. passage mony p^d.

to M^r. Newcome—one hundred pagodas	P^s.	100 — —
to M^r. Haagg Surgeon—thirty pagodas		30 — —
to M^r. Williams Surgeon's mate—Twenty pagod^s. ..		20 — —
	Pagod^s.	150 — —

Samuel Hyde Land Customer, pays into Cash four hundred pagodas thirty four fanams and seventy four Cash 400. 34. 74 ballance of his Last month's Account. Land Cust^rs. ball^s. paid in.

General Letter N°. 65 from the Governour and Council of Negapatam dated first October N. S. advising that They have received orders from their Company to destroy the Ostenders and Offering to assist us on that Occasion. Genl. Letter from Negapatam.

AGREED that we write an answer thereto Telling them we shall be ready when opportunity offers to Unite with them in obedience to our Master's orders to secure their rights and priviledges, AGREED also to Complain to them of the Long detention of the George's people and the charges we are put to by the delays of the Gentlemen at Colombo, but at the same time to return Thanks to M^r. Van Cloon and Council for the kind recommendation They have Given of this affair, of which M^r. Nesbit advises the President. an Ans^r. thereto, to be sent.

Poncala Kistnah and Com Chittee Tobacco and betle Farmers pay into Cash eight hundred thirty three pagodas twelve fanams 833. 12. — for one month's rent of that Farm due 5th. Inst^t. betle farm rent paid in.

Poncala Kistnah Farmer of the Arrack & wine License pays into Cash Three hundred thirty five 335 pagodas for one month's rent of that farm due 5th. Instant. Arrack farm rent paid in.

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measurg. farm rent paid in

Nairo Kistnamah Chittee and Com Chittee Farmers of the measuring duty pay into Cash one hundred forty one pagodas and twenty four fanams 141. 24. — for two months rent of that farm due the Twentieth August last.

Js. Macrae.
Robt. Symonds.
J: Roach.
Randall Fowke.
Sll. Hyde.
[*Lacuna*].
Charles Peers.

At a Consultation

Present

October Tuesday 7th.

James Macrae Esqr. Governour President.
Robert Symonds. John Roach.
Randal Fowke. Samuel Hyde.

money advd. Paymr.

The Paymaster requesting money to defray Charges of Garrison and other disbursements for the present month, Ordered that Two thousand five hundred 2500 pagodas be advanced him.

Genl. Letters read.

General Letters read, vizt.

Two from Bombay.

No. 66 and 67 from the President & Council of Bombay the first dated 5th. April encloses copies of the Charges repairing the George Brigantine amounting to two thousand six hundred forty six rupees two quarters and twenty six reas. 2646. 2. 26 and a Letter to the Armenians relating to landing their freight Goods at Gombroon the other dated 8th. August last gives an Account of the sailing of the Prince Frederick for Europe and the arrival of the Morrice at Mocho. They also advise the death of Angria.

from Ingeram.

No. 68 from Mr. John Sanderson at Ingeram dated 20th. September, giving an account of difficulties in the investment, as also that on the news of troubles at Vizagapatam from Subbanah, he had got his vessel ready to lie in the middle of the river to send off the Company's Effects in case of necessity.

Mercht. balla. for Septr. paid them.

The Warehousekeeper presents the Merchants' Account Current for last month, which is entered after this Consultation, ballance due to them five Thousand four hundred ninety five pagodas twenty six fanams and twenty eight cash 5495. 26. 28 which are ordered to be paid.

Cash Acct. read.

The President reads the Cash Account for the last month ballance remaining one hundred and two thousand and two hundred sixty eight pagodas thirty one fanams and twenty eight cash 102268. 31. 28 which is Carried to next month's account.

Land Custrs. Acco. read.

Samuel Hyde Land Customer, reads that Account for last month vizt.

Choultry Customs	Ps.	340	1	35
Ruby brokerage		39	18	4
Registering slaves..		27	28	—
	Pagodas	407	11	39

ballance due from him, three hundred ninety four pagodas twenty one fanams and thirty nine cash 394. 21. 39 which are carried to the next month's Account.

——FORT ST. GEORGE, OCTOBER 1729——

Mr. Peers being indisposed sent a paper to the Board containing his reasons for dissenting to the order of Council of the 25th. ulto. which directed a message to be sent to the Mayor's Court for chusing a new Alderman in the room of Mr. Barrington which is entered hereafter. Mr. Peerss Disent about ye. message sent to the Mayors Court

The Register of the Mayor's Court attending the board delivered an answer to the message sent them the 25th. ultimo, giving reasons for not chusing an Alderman in the room of Mr. Charles Barrington, which paper is entered hereafter. Ansr. from ye. Mayor's Court

Ordered that a Charge be drawn out and given Mr. Barrington for misdemeanours and disobedience to the orders of this board in breach of his indentures with the Company, declaring him unworthy to sit in a Court of Judicature erected for the benefit of the said Company and orderly Government of the place. A Charge to be Exhibited agst. Mr. Barrington.

There being an offer of sixteen pagodas ℔ Candy for two hundred Candys of the Company's Lead, Agreed that the Warehousekeeper do deliver it. Lead sold.

Captain Tolson touching here last night in his way to Europe having by his long passage from Bengal exhausted great part of his water and provisions Agreed that while he is getting supplies of water & other necessaries, we prepare a General Letter to go by him with our Consultations and Letters and Cash Accounts. Letter & papers to be sent to England by the Heathcote.

The Lease of Trevitore &ct. new villages expiring the 17th. Instt. Agreed that it be put up at outcry on Thursday the 16th. Inst. at the Seagate and that the Secretary do give notice thereof immediately. Lease of Trivitore &ca. Villages to be put up to Outcry.

Jas. Macrae.
Robr. Symonds.
J. Roach.
Randall Fowke.
Sll. Hyde.

Dr. Suncaramah and Tomby Chittee. Cr.

Septr. 30	To Custom 5 ℔ Cent	Ps. 139 7 25	Septr. 30	by Goods received 77 bales ..	Ps. 5513 5 —
	To the Washers for turnd out Cloth	29 29 28		by Custom 2¾ ℔ Cent	151 22 1
	To ballance ..	5495 26 28			
	Pagodas	5664 27 1		Pagodas	5664 27 1

Fort St. George
Septemr. 30th. 1729.

Errors excepted.
℔ Robert Symonds
Export Wareho.kr.

To the Honble James Macrae Esqr.

President & Governour &ct. Council of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir and Sirs

His late most excellent Majesty King George the First having in his Royal Charter granted to the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies, been graciously pleased to direct that it may be lawfull "upon reasonable "cause to remove any of the said Aldermen, so as there be a complaint in writing first "exhibited against him, and he have a reasonable time given him to make his defence, "and be summoned for that purpose in case he be President within the limits and pre- "cincts of the Town of MadrasPatnam at Fort St. George."

As I offered in my opinion to your Honour &ct. that no Alderman ought to be removed without his being proceeded against according to the express words of the said Royal Charter, and Mr. Barrington not having had a Charge in writing delivered him and time allowed him to make his defence, or been summoned for that purpose as

an Alderman though residing at Fort S^{t}. George, I beg leave to declare to your Honour &c^{t}. that I do not Consent to any order directed to the Hon̄ble the Mayor's Court from this Board, signifying his being Dismissed from that bench, or recommending to them to Chuse another Alderman in his room, as the Royal Charter does not allow of a removal, but in the manner set forth in the above Clause.

I am
Hon̄ble S^{R}. and Sirs
Your most Obed^{t}. humble Servant
Charles Peers.

Fort S^{T}. George
29TH. Sept^{R}. 1729.

To the Hon̄ble the President and Council of Fort S^{T}. George.

Hon̄ble Sir & Sirs

Your Secretary having signified to the Honble. the Mayor's Court by a letter bearing date the 25th. Septr. that M^{r}. Charles Barrington one of their Members is Dismissed the Hon̄ble Company's Service and at the same time recommending to them in your name to Chuse a new Alderman in his room, I am therefore by order of this Hon̄ble Court to acquaint you that They apprehend M^{r}. Charles Barrington has not been legally removed from his Office of Alderman and Judge of this Court according to the directions laid down in the Charter and that they cannot conceive They have a power to chuse a new Member till he be so, or willingly resigns his seat.

Signed

by Order of the Hon̄ble the Mayor's Court of Madraspatnam.

(L.S.)

John Stratton
Registr.

Mayor's Court
Fort S^{T}. George,
October 3^{D}. 1729.

1 Sloop Ramah returned to Fort S^{t}. David.

2 Ship Sarum Captain John Standard, arrived from Bengal.

3 Ship Verabudra sailed for Bimlepatam.

— General Letters from Bombay received by Peons.

5 Ship Marlbrough Captn. William Montgomery sailed for Fort Marlbrô having on board Stephen Newcome Esqr. Deputy Governour and Carried a general Letter dated the 4th.

— received a general Letter from M^{r}. Sanderson at Ingeram.

6 Arrived ship Heathcote Capt^{a}. Joseph Tolson, in his passage from Bengal to Europe.

7 brig^{t}. Hitchin Robert Mullins Master, arr^{d}. from Bengal.

8 brig^{t}. Amity Charles Hopkins Master, arrived from Surat.

9 brig^{t}. Moreton came in from Vizagapatam.

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

FRIDAY 10TH.

JAMES MACRAE ESQR. GOVERNOUR PRESIDENT.
ROBERT SYMONDS. JOHN ROACH.
RANDAL FOWKE. SAMUEL HYDE.
CHARLES PEERS.

Chars. on two Slaves from Fort Marlbrô pd.

Mr. Newcome's Attorneys present a bill for the Diet and cloathing of the two Slaves which came from the West Coast for nine months, which amounting to Twenty eight pagodas thirty two fanams and forty Cash. 28. 32. 40 as ℔ Account entered after Consultation is ORDERED to be paid.

Captn. Tolson advises of his being ready to sail

Captain Tolson sends a paper to the Board to Give notice that he proposes to sail to morrow, and desires to know if we have any Letters to send.

four Soldrs. Discharged.

Petitions from Luke Nelson, Joseph How, Jonathan Goldsmith and William Hudson, four soldiers for their discharge, read and granted, They having served out their covenanted time.

AGREED also that James Perrey be discharged according to orders from the Honble Company, George Adams the other person They mention, being dead.

Orders about Administrations & probats of wills taken out of Portuguese Church.

there being some mistakes arisen from the orders this year received from our Honble Masters relating to proving wills in the Portuguese Church, AGREED that a note be affixed in the several languages at the Sea and Choultry gates and at the Portuguese Church to Explain the same and to give notice that any person of the Romish Communion is at liberty to take out Probats of wills or Letters of Administration in that Church but that they are not Compelled to do it, also that by so doing They are not entituled to a right of suing any subject of England or other person who is not of that Communion and that although the Priests of that Church are allowed to Grant such probats or letters of administration to such as request the same of them yet that They have no authority to examine or decide any Controversy between Man and Man, or to do or Execute any other Judicial Act whatsoever.

Letter to Bengal.

There being Cossids going to Bengal AGREED that a General Letter be sent to the President and Council there to give them notice that the troubles to the Northward and the Extremity of the famine here, will we fear occasion a disappointment in our investment & that we believe two Thousand bales will be the most we shall be able to provide, that therefore we desire them to fill up the Ships They send us so much more and only send one to Vizagapatam.

JAS. MACRAE.
ROBT. SYMONDS.
J. ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE.
SLL. HYDE.
CHARLES PEERS.

FORT MARLBROUGH. DR.

To nine months diet for two of the Comps. slaves	Ps.	18	—	—
To four Gingham wastcoats & breeches		1	25	—
To twelve banian wastcoats & breeches		3	9	—
To the Steward of the hospital as ℔ his bills		1	22	40
To allowance for betle & tobacco @ fs. 2 each ℔ week ..		4	12	—
	Pagodas	28	32	40

FORT ST. GEORGE
29TH. SEPTR. 1729.

STEPHEN NEWCOME.

—FORT ST. GEORGE, OCTOBER 1729—

To the Honble James Macrae Esqr.

President and Governour of Fort S^t. George &c^t. Council.

Honble S^r. and Sirs

My long Passage from Bengal into the Latitude of this place having obliged me to put in here for water, I am in hopes to compleat my want therein and what else I shall have occasion for here, so as to proceed on my Voyage and set sail for England on Saturday the eleventh instant, which I think convenient to acquaint your Honour &c^t. of, that in case you have any Commands you will please to favour me with them by that time.

I am with the utmost respect.
Honble S^r. and Sirs

Fort S^T. George
October 9TH. 1729.

Your most Obed^t. Humble serv^t.
Joseph Tolson.

13 Sent General Letters to Bengal and Ingeram.
13 Ship Heathcote sailed for Europe by whom was sent a packet from hence to the Court of Directors.
— brig^t. Moreton returned for Vizagapatam.
15 Ship Ramaswammee came in from Calingapatam.
— received by Peons a General Letter from Ingeram.
16 Ketch Whynot came in from Vizagapatam.
19 Ship Sarum Capt^a. John Standard, sailed back for Bengal.
— brig^t. Amity Charles Hopkins sailed for Pegue.
— brig^t. Hitchin John Holme sailed for Pegue.
20 Received a general Letter from Fort S^t. David

At a Consultation

Present

Monday 20TH.

James Macrae Esq^R. Governour President.
Robert Symonds. John Roach.
Randal Fowke. Samuel Hyde.
Augustus Burton.

Mint acco^t. read.

The President reads the Mint Account Current for last month ballance due from him fifty one thousand one hundred and seventeen rupees four annaes 51117. 4. — which are Carried to next month's Account and seventeen pagodas one fanam 17. 1. — which he now pays in.

Export and Import Wareho. Acco^ts. read.

Robert Symonds Export Warehousekeeper, reads that Account for last month ballance due to him eight hundred sixty four pagodas twenty eight fanams and six Cash 864. 28. 6. of which he is now paid eight hundred 800 pagodas and six hundred 600 pagodas are advanced him to pay the painters.

Robert Symonds Import Warehousekeeper, reads that Account for last month ballance due from him Two Thousand two hundred eighty seven pagodas twenty two fanams and forty one cash 2287. 22. 41 of which he now pays Two thousand 2000 pagodas.

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John Roach Paymaster, reads that Account for last month viz[t]. Paym[rs]. Acco[t]. read.

Charges Garrison	P[s]:	1377	21	60
Charges Cattle		66	24	—
Charges Hospital		31	—	—
Fort Marlbrough		556	30	20
Charges extraordinary		5	3	—
Charges General		397	26	70
Bombay Presidency		25	—	—
Charges Diet		583	12	—
New Pouder house		233	12	—
Repairs of Fortifications		50	17	10
	Pag[s].	3327	3	—

ballance due to him and now paid, three hundred twenty seven pagodas three fanams 327. 3. — which is now paid him.

The extraordinary expence in this Account arises from the following articles vizt. Extr[a]. Exp[t].

FORT MARLBROUGH						
Soldiers Cloathing going thither ℘ ship Marlbrô				529	12	20
three months pay advanced Thomas Cox a soldier going thither				7	18	—
allowance money to Rajah Ooaloodean & his serv[ts].				10	—	—
d[o]. to M[r]. Hague while he remains here, he being appointed Surgeon of Bencoolen				10	—	—
P[s].				556	30	20
CHARGES EXTRAORDINARY						
Diet to Six prisoners as ℘ Marshal's note	4	24	—			
boathire for 20 soldiers gone to Vizagapatam	—	15	—			
				5	3	—
BOMBAY PRESIDENCY						
allowance money to the widow Burton & her Children				25	—	—
NEW POWDER HOUSE						
Workmen Employed this month .. P[s].	77	1	50			
Materials d[o].	156	10	30			
				233	12	—
Pagod[s].				820	9	20

The Secretary reports that according to the order of the Consultation of the seventh instant, the Lease of Trivitore &c[t]. new villages was put up at outcry the sixteenth Instant and bought by the President at one Thousand pagodas ℘ annum which was the most that was offered for them, but

The President told the Board that he has since prevailed on Tomby Chittee Poncala Kistnah, Mootah Vencata Chittee and Tagapah Chittee to Take the same at an advance of Thirty pagodas upon the old rent, accordingly a Cowle was drawn out for them and signed for twelve years commencing the seventeenth instant. Lease of Trivitore &c[a]. Villages, new lett for twelve Years.

there being a parcel of Redwood in town to be sold at one pagoda twenty seven fanams ℘ Candy, and the Company's being almost all expended, AGREED that the Warehousekeeper purchase one thousand candys at that price. Redwood purchased.

General Letters read viz[t]. General letters read.

N[o]. 69 from M[r]. John Sanderson at Ingeram, dated first instant, enclosing his accounts for August & September. from Ingeram.

N[o]. 70 dated 18th. instant, from the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort S[t]. David with an Account of the Cargo of the ship which sailed the 28th. ultimo from Pondicherry for France. from Fort S[t]. David.

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bill of charges on ye. George at Manare paid.

Mr. Robert Nesbit presents an Account Disbursements made by him on the George at Manare being for Landing her Stores, Guns, rigging &ct. and for presents to the people there for their Assistance, and provisions & passage for the soldiers &ct. amounting as ₰ Account entered after Consultation in the whole to five hundred ninety three rupees one quarter and thirty four reas 593 . 1 . 34 which the Storekeeper is ORDERED to discharge.

betle farm rent paid in

Poncala Kistnah and Com Chittee Tobacco and Betle Farmers, pay into cash eight hundred thirty three pagodas twelve fanams 833 . 12 . — for last months rent of that Cowle due the 5th. Instant.

Arrack farm rent paid in

Poncala Kistnah Farmer of the Arrack and wine License, pays into cash Three hundred thirty five 335 pagodas for one months rent of that Farm due the 5th. Instant.

A charged. Mr. Barrington.

Mr. Charles Barrington being summoned to attend the Board this morning, and appearing ; a Charge agreeable to the resolution of Consultation the seventh instant, was delivered him, Copy of which is entered after this Consultation, and Time allowed him till Monday to Give in his answer.

JAS. MACRAE.
ROBT. SYMONDS.
J. ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE.
SLL. HYDE.
AUG : BURTON.

ACCOUNT OF CHARGES ON THE GEORGE, OF FORT ST. GEORGE CAPTAIN JOHN PYE COMMANDER, VIZT.

To Landing her Guns Rigging sails &ct.	Rs. 247 — —
To Carriage of do. from the waterside to the Godowns ..	5 — —
To provision &ct. for the people while unrigging her and landing the stores	6 — —
To a present made the Chiefs of Manare	15 — —
To Captain John Pye ₰ his receipt	73 1 34
To a present to the Second	10 — —
to do. to the Pack house Master	35 — —
To a Pattamar sent your Honour	6 — —
To the Dutch Corporal and men that are guarding the ship, at several times	8 — —
To a present to the Gentlemen that came from Jaffnapatam ..	38 — —
To the Secretary for his trouble	15 — —
To the Gunner that has care of all the ship's stores to be carefull	24 — —
To the Souldier's passage from Manaar	60 — —
To three parra of rice bought at Jaffnapatam	12 — —
To five Goats	2 — —
To Two Cows	2 — —
To ten Long boats : oars bought at Bombay	35 — —
Rupees	593 1 34

ERRORS EXCEPTED.

MANAAR 16TH. SEPTR. 1729.

ROBERT NESBIT.

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A CHARGE EXHIBITED BY JAMES MACRAE ESQR. PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR &CT. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE FOR THE UNITED COMPANY OF MERCHANTS OF ENGLAND TRADING TO THE EAST INDIES, AGAINST MR. CHARLES BARRINGTON, ONE OF THE ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF MADRASPATNAM.

For that he the said Charles Barrington was permitted by the Court of Directors of the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies upon certain Covenants contained in a pair of Indentures executed between the said United Company and the said Charles Barrington, on the part of him the said Charles Barrington to be performed by virtue of which permission he the said Charles Barrington did come to Madras, and during his residence there under the protection of the said Company, he was Chosen an Alderman of Madraspatnam, but after the said Election that he the said Charles Barrington forgetting his obligation to the said Company and falsely imagining and pretending that he is not under a necessity of complying with the terms in the said pair of Indentures contained, hath absolutely refused to go to Fort Marlbrough on the West Coast of Sumatra, where his service was necessary for the good of the said Company, in direct breach of his said Covenants and that he the said Charles Barrington having thereby forfeited all right to a Residence in India, and any other priviledge whatsoever either as a Company's servant or Free Merchant, and being disobedient to the orders and rules of the said United Company, and thereby Giving a bad Example to others, is unworthy to sit in a Court of Justice erected at the Instance and request of the said Company and for their benefit, and the good and orderly Government of their settlement–all which his Conduct tends manifestly to destroy and subvert.

Signed in Fort St. George, this [*lacuna*]
by order of the President and Council

GEORGE TORRIANO
Secretary.

reced a General Letter from Chief and Council at Tellicherry. 22
sent a General Letter to the Governour and Council at Bombay. 23

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY 27TH.

JAMES MACRAE ESQR.	GOVERNOUR PRESIDENT.
ROBERT SYMONDS.	JOHN ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE.	SAMUEL HYDE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON.	CHARLES PEERS.

Randall Fowke Sea Customer, reads that Account for the last month vizt. Sea Custrs. Accot. read

Custom on goods imported	Ps.	1141 22 44
do. on Grain		453 5 56
Anchorage		80 — —
	pagodas	1674 28 20

ballance due from him Seven Thousand nine hundred seventy five pagodas twenty one fanams and sixty Cash 7975 . 21 . 60 of which he now pays six Thousand 6000 pagodas.

Augustus Burton Storekeeper, reads that Account for the last month,ballance due from him three hundred fifty nine pagodas fifteen fanams & nineteen cash 359 . 15 . 19 which are carried to the next month's Account. Storkrs. Accot. read.

Samuel Hyde Land Customer pays into Cash Three hundred ninety four pagodas twenty one fanams and thirty nine cash 394 . 21 . 39 ballance of his last month's Account. Land Custrs. balla. pd. in

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Letter from Tellicherry.

General Letter N°. 71 from the Chief and Factors at Tellicherry dated 25th. September, to accompany a packet from the Supra Cargoes of the Morrice to be forwarded to the Honble Court of Directors.

Mr. Sanderson permitted to Come up and to freight on a Country boat.

The President acquaints the Board that Mr. Sanderson had in a private Letter to him, requested leave to come up hither on his vessel in January which is Agreed to and as we are likely to be in want of all the cloth which we can possibly procure this season, It is further Agreed that we permit Mr. Sanderson in Case there be any cloth at the Washers or coming in from the Weavers which he cannot detain his brigantine for, to order it up on a good Country boat provided Mr. Crawford comes along with it.

Mr. Barrington Delivers in a Demurrer and his Answer.

Mr. Barrington being duly Summoned to Give in his answer to the charge exhibited against him the Twentieth instant, sent a Letter to the Board which is Entered hereafter, to Tell them he was sitting on the King's service on the Grand Jury, but afterwards attended the Board and delivered in a Demurrer to the said Charge which was read, and he asked if he designed that as an answer or had any thing further to urge in his defence, on which he delivered in another paper as an Answer to the Charge which was likewise read and They are both entered after this Consultation.

he is Removed from the Office of an Alderman.

The purport of both which being Considered the Board agreed that there was nothing contained in them which tended to clear Mr. Barrington of the misdeameanours laid upon him in the charge, it was therefore Resolved that Mr. Barrington be removed from being one of the Aldermen of the Madraspatnam and Judge of the Mayor's Court and that our former resolution of sending him home in January be Confirmed.

Message to the Mayor's Court thereupon.

Ordered that the Secretary do advise the Mayor's Court that this Board in Consequence of the authority vested in them by the Charter, have removed the said Charles Barrington from being an Alderman of Madraspatnam and Judge of the Mayor's Court, and that They therefore do not admit him to sit among them any longer but proceed to a new Choice to fill up the vacancy occasioned by his removal.

Mr. Barrington to be advised again yt. he is to go home in Janry.

Ordered also that he do advise Mr. Barrington that we continue our resolution of sending him home in January.

Mr. Peers dissent to these Resolves.

Mr. Peers dissented to the first of these resolves for that he thinks the Charge deliver'd Mr. Barrington doth not contain in it any Breach of his duty as an Alderman and is therefore not sufficient to remove him from being such, and to the latter for the reasons formerly given.

Jas. Macra.
Robt. Symonds.
J. Roach.
Randall Fowke.
Sll. Hyde.
Aug: Burton.
Charles Peers.

To the President and Council of Fort St. George.

Gentlemen,

I am now sitting on the King's Service on the Grand Jury for this Town nevertheless I am ready to appear on my Defence before you, and if you require my attendance now please to signifie it to me and I will wait upon you.

I am
Gentlemen
Yor. most humble servant
Charles Barrington.

Fort St. George,
October 27th. 1729.

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THE DEMURRER OF CHARLES BARRINGTON, Inhabitant & Alderman of Madraspatnam to the charge exhibited against him by James Macrae Esq[r]. President & Govern[r]. &c[t]. Council of Fort S[t]. George for the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies and signed by George Torriano their Secretary.

This DEFENDANT observes upon perusal of the s[d]. charge that the same alledges nothing directly against him as an Alderman of this Corporation, but contains only an Accusation of breach of Covenants with the said Company as one of their servants.

This DEFENDANT hopes and believes he can maintain that no breach of covenants can be proved against him, or allowing him to be chargeable therewith that the matter is not cognisable by this board of President and Council being Representatives for a Company of Merchants, as the party Aggrieved may have their remedy at Law according to the Tenour of those Covenants.

This DEFENDANT conceives that until such time as the same be duly and legally maintained and proved and Verdict given thereon according to Law, the open declaring and charging him guilty of a breach of Covenants is highly reflecting on and injurious to the Credit and reputation of him the said Defendant and against Law and Equity.

This DEFENDANT also Conceives that a breach of Covenants with the said Company can in no ways disqualifie him for the King's service it being a matter of a private nature and altogether foreign to the administration of Civil Affairs, and therefore, he humbly Conceives himself *Rectus in Curiâ* and nevertheless Qualified.

This DEFENDANT can produce Authorities sufficient to maintain his franchises and Liberties until such time as a reasonable cause shall be given in charge against him, and that the Laws of Great Brittain have particularly Determined what shall be such reasonable cause, namely the Committing some offence against Oath and to the prejudice of the body into which he is Incorporated.

This DEFENDANT conceives that the President and Council here as Representatives of the said Company of Merchants have no authority to hear and determine a Cause wherein his Majesty's power granted to this Corporation, and the liberties and the franchises of the Subject are so nearly concerned and that in the clause in his Majesty's Charter which Empowers the said President and Council to remove any of the Aldermen upon reasonable cause exhibited against him in writing, It is meant that such Alderman having by a misdemeanour rendered himself liable to the Camplaint of any person or persons, the said President and Council as a King's Court of Record are qualified to sit, hear and determine thereupon, and not otherwise, for that it seems inconsistent that They as a Board of Merchants and Company's Officers can interfere with a Special Commission from the King & so a private sett of men judge a Court of record.

This DEFENDANT thinks himself obliged to declare that the said President and Council have made themselves Parties and accusers in this Charge exhibited against him & can produce Authorities to maintain that it is contrary to the maxims of all Laws for the Accusers to sit as Judges in their own cause and in this moreover the said President and Council have already in an extrajudicial way of proceeding actually prejudged him, for proof of which,

This DEFENDANT in order to make manifest the prejudice of the said Judges, who have made themselves parties Accusers and thereby to strengthen his Exceptions against the Authority They assume of judging in this cause, thinks it necessary to observe that They the said President and Council by their Secretary did on the Twenty fifth day of September last send a written message to the Mayor's Court here, wherein They declared that this Defendant had no further priviledges either as a Company's servant or Free Merchant and thereupon recommended to the Bench to remove this Defendant and Chuse another Alderman in his place and stead, which was before any charge had been Exhibited against him and although it proved Ineffectual yet it thereby plainly appears that They persecuted him with a Spirit of

resentment which gives him but little hopes of success in maintaining his Cause before them now and he thinks it necessary in this place to add further that this. their said message and advice tending to alienate the good affections and regards of his Brethren on the Bench towards him, and byass their Voices to disfranchise him which by that means would have become an act of their own was Contrary to Law and unwarrantable, highly tending to the Corruption and subversion of the Constitution of the said Court of justice, against the true intent & meaning of his Majesty's Royal Charter, and a great indignity to the Mayor and Aldermen then sitting—and he offers in further proof that the said President and Council have in a late Letter to the said Company dated the twelfth of October, said peremptorily that they would send him to England in January, which was eight days before the said Charge was delivered this Defendant.

This DEFENDANT conceives that the heavy accusation of being unworthy to sit in a Court of justice degradeth him to the condition of perjured person, Villein or outlaw who only are excepted by our laws from such service of their Country & therefore he cannot but Think it behoves the said President & Council well to Consider whether they can support so grievous a charge by virtue of any thing Contained in the said Complaint against him.

This DEFENDANT conceives from all and every the foregoing premises that the summoning him to appear before this Board is ill grounded and contrary to the several Laws made for the preservation of the Subjects birthrights, Liberties and franchises for which causes and for divers other Defects and Insufficiencies in the said charge appearing, the said Defend[t]. doth Demurr unto and upon the said charge and the matter therein contained, and prays the due Consideration of this Board whether he shall be bound to make any other or further Answer otherwise than as aforesaid, and further prays to be hence dismissed in *Statu Quo*, with his reasonable Costs and charges in that behalf wrongfully sustained.

Dated in Fort S[t]. George, this Twenty seventh day of October 1729.

CHARLES BARRINGTON.

Loco Sig.

THE ANSWER OF CHARLES BARRINGTON to the Charge Exhibited by James Macrae Esq[r]. President and Governour &c[t]. Council of Fort S[t]. George for the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies, against him as an Alderman of the Town of Madraspatnam.

The said CHARLES BARRINGTON saving to himself all advantages of exception to the said Charge, and of not being prejudiced by any words or want of Form in this his Answer, and also saving to himself all advantages of Exceptions mentioned in his Demurrer, and also saving to himself all rights and priviledges belonging to him as one of the Aldermen of Madraspatnam and Judge of the Mayor's Court there for answer unto the said Charge, saith

that he doth acknowledge that he did enter into certain Covenants with the United Company of Merchants of England Trading to the East Indies contained in a pair of indentures bearing date the twentieth day of January 1720 mutually to be observed between them, and not by one partly only as the said charge seems to set forth, by virtue and in Confidence of which he did accordingly come and reside in Madraspatnam in their service,

that during his residence there He was on the twenty first day of July last Elected by the Honble the Mayor's Court of Madraspatnam into the Office of an Alderman and judge of the s[d]. Court, and was the same day by the President in Council sworn thereinto, but whether in their said Choice of him any other regard was had than to his natural Capacity & Abilities for that Office, he conceives the persons only who did make that Choice can determine.

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that on the Eighteenth day of August following he was by the President and Council appointed to Go on a short notice to Fort Marlbrough on the West Coast of Sumatra in the station of Youngest of Council there to continue for the space of three years which he judging a Grievous hardship, and it being impracticable for him on several accounts to comply therewith he did thereupon on the twenty fifth day of August and first of September following deliver into them two remonstrances setting forth the particular circumstances of his Case, wherein he principally urged that having under security of the Covenants aforesaid engaged in an Extensive trade here, he had several very large concerns abroad which must take up a considerable time to Get in and he must suffer an irreparable damage by being absent, as recourse thereto being had will more fully appear; and although They failed of the desired Effect he found himself still under an indispensable necessity to decline going thither, and not out of a spirit of obstinacy and disobedience as forgetting his obligations to the said Company or falsely imagining or pretending that he was not under a necessity of Complying with the terms in the s^{d}. Covenants contained as this Charge sets forth which imputations he disavows with the highest resentment having for near the space of Eight Years in several employs assigned him, served the said Company here faithfully and to the best of his Capacity.

and he thinks there is good reason to believe that it was no ways the necessity of his Service there for the good of the s^{d}. Company that induced them the said President and Council to pitch upon him to Go thither as very little service could be expected from him in that place from the unfitness of his constitution to that dangerous and unhealthy climate, which very reason They had the last year accepted, and excused him from going thither on that Account then, and that there was as much want of Assistants to perform the said Company's business here but rather that it proceeded from the prejudice and resentment of the President against him for matters of trade and he cannot but remark that their order for his going to the West Coast, which They must know he could not possibly comply with and was the only way They had to distress him, was made on the very day that They read in Council an appeal which Mr. Peers and he jointly had lodged from a judgment of theirs to the King in Council and whether that proceeding had any influence or not with them to Take those very severe and unprecedented measures against him, he leaves to any man to judge from the following paragr^{a}. which They have wrote in a Later letter to the said Company which is dated the twelfth instant, after the resolution They took on the seventh instant to exhibit the said Charge against him.

"We are very sorry to inform your Honours that the Charter which hath cost "you so great expence and trouble to obtain it, and was so well calculated for the "benefit ease and good regulation of your Settlements is like to have quite other Effects "than ever your Honours could Expect, which we shall take care to prevent as much "as possible, but the case is this there being an expression in the Charter which says "that an Alderman duely Elected and sworn in shall remain during Life, it has raised "such a spirit of obstinacy & disobedience in your servants that They will not go to "any of your Subordinate Settlements and fancy it is out of your power to remove them "from Madras upon account of their being Aldermen and we are very sorry to tell you "that many of them have associated themselves on that head as is in particular the case "of M^{r}. Barrington who values himself much upon being an Alderman, and there is "nothing in their mouths at present but appeals to the King in Council, we are "Apprehensive if a speedy stop be not put to this Disobedience in your servants it will "be of the last ill Consequence which is the Chief reason that we have ordered Mes-"sieurs Barrington & Hammond home, whom we should otherwise have only "suspended till your further orders; but as this Spirit is so very Prevalent, we "Thought it absolutely necessary for your service and don't at all doubt but Your "Honours will vindicate us herein in Case of any appeals to the King in Council.

And he does not Conceive that the President & Council here can charge his refusal to go to the West Coast against him as a direct breach of his said indentures, because the said Company have reserved to themselves the consideration of the case, and only

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allowed them in the mean time to suspend such of their servants who being ordered thither, might refuse to Go, and directed them to await their further orders, whereby the said Company seem to express an unwillingness to have such a force put upon their serv^{ts}. against their Inclinations, we have always hitherto been Esteemed here upon a different establishment, which seems to be confirmed by the particular regard they also express in recommending to the said President & Council not to send away such persons as are engaged in trade lest They may be ruined in their affairs thereby, besides he Thinks that while he is charged with an obligation by his Indentures to follow all such orders as the said Company or any Authorized by them shall Think fitt, it will be but Equitable at the same time to allow all indulgences such as he has now pleaded, to be extended to his benefit so that he Thinks a breach of Indentures will rather lie at their doors than with him, by their unwarrantably Depriving him of those reasonable indulgence, & sending him off the Shore for England on so short a warning.

As to his having thereby forfeited all right to a residence in India and any other priviledges whatsoever either as a Company's servant or a Free Merchant, He again pleads the said Company's indulgence to remain here under a state of suspension untill their orders about him with respect to their service shall be known and thinks that according to right reason and the very necessary indulgence granted by the said Company for that purpose to all in India indifferently, he ought and can demand and does accordingly insist to be permitted to reside here as a free Man for such time longer at least, as shall be necessary to Gather in his Effects.

He Conceives the Royal Charter constituted the Mayor's Court here at the instance and request of the said Company indeed, and for the good & orderly Government of their Settlement but not for their benefit solely although it be highly so in that every single inhabitant is entituled to and participates of its gracious influence towards a due & impartial distribution of Equity and justice and he cannot conceive that what is termed in his said charge Disobedience to the orders and Rules of the said Company which appears only to have a regard to his refusal to go to the West Coast, can render him unworthy to sit in a Court of justice, it being a matter of a private nature and altogether foreign to the administration of Civil Affairs and therefore he cannot be charged that his conduct hath manifestly tended to destroy and Subvert the same.

The said Charles Barrington hath thought fit thus far to answer particularly to the said charge, thereby to Express his willingness to Give all possible Satisfaction touching the premises and to clear his private character, from those aspersions but he excepts in general to the whole of the said Charge for that it is exhibited against him as an Alderman of the Town of Madraspatnam but does not contain any allegation of Misdemeanours said to be committed by him having any ways a relation to his acting in the said office in his execution of which trust all the Deliberate malice of his Enemies cannot find any thing faulty and till he shall be convicted of having perpetrated something contrary to his oath or to the prejudice of the body into which he is incorporated; he insists and can prove he cannot otherwise upon any pretence whatsoever be legally removed from his said office, but is Entituled to and accordingly claims the priviledge Granted him by our most Gracious Sovereign to Continue to act therein during the term of his natural Life and if he should in other respects be Guilty of any thing prejudicial to the Good and orderly Government of the place, he is Liable to all penalties of the Law, Equally with other Men.

and whereas the said Charge further insinuates that They having put him the said Charles Barrington out of the said Company's service, all further right to a residence in India is forfeited to him, and so he must consequently cease to Act in his said Office of Alderman, he doth plead that the Royal Charter constituting that Court seems to have no regard to such persons as shall become members of it, whether They be in the said Company's service or not or reside here with or without their licence, so They be Inhabitants of the Town of Madraspatnam and he is well informed that several of the modern Aldermen first nominated in the said Royal Charter were persons

who came not regularly by permission to reside in India but were discharged or Left behind when the Ships sailed back for Europe and that the two First Mayors by name John Powney and Francis Rous are hitherto without any regular licence from the said Company to reside here, so that no objection to his Continuing here as an Alderman and in the same free state, can be inferred from thence.

As to his having no further priviledges here whatsoever he cannot but remark that since the Exhibition of the said Charge against him, the Sheriff who is one of that board has called him and the rest of the Board who sat as judges at the Quarter Sessions held for this Town have sworn him in upon the Grand Jury, whereby They seem flatly to have contradicted themselves in this point, and he leaves it to them to reconcile it to that positive assertion.

and he leaves it also to them to Consider whether after having served out that time expressly stipulated in his Indentures being Five years and three years more which were upon reciprocal Courtesy, he be holden or not to undertake an Enterprize of Three years service still to come, especially considering the Circumstances of being removed from the seat of business where he hath been Engaged for so long a time, and that so short a notice must unavoidably occasion a Perplexity in his Affairs that may be fatal.

Upon the whole he the said Charles Barrington insisteth and will maintain in any Court of Judicature whatsoever, that he hath not been Guilty of breach of Covenants with the said Company, and that if he had, It is no ways a reasonable and Lawful cause to remove him the said Charles Barrington from acting in the said Office of an Alderman and Judge of the Mayor's Court of Madraspatnam.

Dated in Fort S^t^. George this Twenty seventh day of October 1729.

CHARLES BARRINGTON.

Sent by Peons a general Letter to M^r^. Sanderson at Ingeram. 28

Ship Ramahswammee sailed for Colombo. 31

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

JAMES MACRAE ESQ^R^. GOVERNOUR PRESIDENT.

ROBERT SYMONDS.	JOHN ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE.	SAMUEL HYDE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON.	CHARLES PEERS.

NOVEMBER MONDAY 3^D^

The Paymaster requesting money for defraying Charges of Garrison and other disbursements, ORDERED that two Thousand five hundred 2500 pagodas be advanced him. Money adv^d^. Paym^r^.

The Paddy Banksall, Triplicane Bridge and the Island roads being extreamly damaged by the heavy rains which fell last week and the hard gales of wind insomuch that the first is in danger of falling and the others are not passable and most of the Trees set in the walks being blown down, ORDERED that the Paymaster do for the present set People to work upon them and put them in as good order as He Can, till the rains be over when they may be thoroughly repaired. damages done by the late wind and rains to be Repair'd.

Petition from William Hathaway and Thomas Pelling read, representing that They have Attended the Justices in their sessions, one as Cryer of the Court and the other Bailiff to keep the Jurys ever since the arrival of the new Charter, for which They have hitherto had no allowance, and praying to be relieved. Bailiffs of y^e^. Court of Oyer & Terminer allowed ten pag^s^. each ℔ Anñ.

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AGREED that Ten pagodas ℔ Annum be allowed to each of them on that Account.

JA^S. MACRAE.
ROB^T. SYMONDS.
J. ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE.
S^LL. HYDE.
AUG: BURTON.
CHARLES PEERS.

4 Sent by Peons a general Letter to Tellicherry.
— Sloop Ommapersaut arrived from Ballasore.
9 Ketch Whynot went to Fort S^t. David to be put into y^e. river

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY 10TH.

JAMES MACRAE ESQ^R. GOVERNOUR PRESIDENT.
ROBERT SYMONDS. JOHN ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE. SAMUEL HYDE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON. CHARLES PEERS.

Cash Account read.

The President reads the Cash Account for the last month, ballance remaining one hundred and two thousand one hundred twenty six pagodas and thirty nine Cash 102126. –. 39 which are carried forward.

Imp^t. Wareh^o. K^r. pays money into Cash.

Robert Symonds Import Warehousekeeper pays into Cash five thousand 5000 pagodas on account of Broad Cloth and Lead sold.

Samuel Hyde Land Customer, reads that Acco^t. for last month vizt.

Choultry Customs	P^s. 141	33	62
Ruby brokerage	1	24	60
Registering slaves	16	32	—
Pag^s.	160	18	42

Land Custrs. Acco^t. read.

ballance due from him one hundred forty seven pagodas twenty eight fanams and forty two Cash 147. 28. 42 which are Carried forward.

M^r. Barrington's Appeal to the King d^d. in.

The Secretary produces a parchment which was delivered him on Saturday in the evening by M^r. Charles Barrington being an appeal to his Majesty from the sentence of removal from the Mayor's bench pronounced against the said M^r. Barrington the twenty seventh of the last month.

M^r. Barrington sends a Letter to the board.

The Secretary likewise produces a paper sent to him as the Board met from M^r. Barrington, insisting to Continue in India till the said appeal should be determined —which is Rejected.

A Committee appt^d. to take security of M^r. Barrington for Costs of y^e. appeal.

ORDERED that Messieurs Symonds, Roach and Fowke do take proper security of M^r. Barrington to pay the Costs of the Appeal in case the adjudication be Affirmed.

JA^S. MACRAE.
ROB^T. SYMONDS.
J. ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE.
S^LL. HYDE.
AUG: BURTON.

—FORT ST. GEORGE, NOVEMBER 1729—

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY 17TH.

JAMES MACRAE ESQR. GOVERNOUR PRESIDENT.
ROBERT SYMONDS. JOHN ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE. SAMUEL HYDE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON. CHARLES PEERS.

Export and Import Warehouse Accounts read.

Robert Symonds Export Warehousekeeper reads that Account for the last month ballance due from him five hundred twenty five pagodas twenty fanams and fifty eight Cash 525 . 20 . 58 which is Carried forward.

Robert Symonds Import Warehousekeeper reads that Account for last month ballance due from him Two Thousand two hundred forty five pagodas thirty fanams and twenty nine cash 2245 . 30 . 29 which is Carried forward.

Rups. bot. to pay the disbursements on ship George @ Manar.

The Storekeeper Acquaints the Board that he has purchased Rupees at the rate of three hundred and six 306 for one hundred pagodas to discharge the disbursements on the George brigantine which is APPROVED of.

The Coroner to be sworn.

ORDERED that the Coroner be sworn into his office by the Justices of the Choultry.

Mr. Torriano removed from being Secretary & Mr. Walsh apptd. in his stead.

The President offering several reasons to the board for not Continuing Mr. Torriano Secretary which being unanimously approved of, ORDERED that Mr. Torriano be dismissed from that Office, and that Mr. Walsh who is represented as a Capable person to succeed him, be appointed Secretary in his stead.

JAS. MACRAE.
ROBT. SYMONDS.
J. ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE.
SLL. HYDE.
AUG: BURTON.
CHARLES PEERS.

received General Letters from Vizagapatam, and Ingeram. 20

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY 24TH.

JAMES MACRAE ESQR. GOVERNOUR PRESIDENT.
ROBERT SYMONDS. JOHN ROACH.
RANDAL FOWKE. SAMUEL HYDE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON. CHARLES PEERS.

[Paymrs. Accot. for last mo. read.]

John Roach Paymaster, reads that Account for last month, vizt.

Charges Garrison	Ps. 1301	20	60
Charges Cattle	66	24	—
Charges Hospital	26	22	—
Fort Marlbrough	38	32	40
Charges extraordinary	7	11	60
Charges General	376	23	50
Bombay Presidency	25	—	—
Charges Diet	583	12	—
New powder house	70	26	20
Repairs of Fortifications	44	12	—
Pags.	2541	4	70

ballance due to him and now paid, forty one pagodas four fanams and seventy Cash 41 . 4 . 70.

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The extraordinary expences in this Account arise from the following articles vizt.

Fort Marlbrough.		
allowance money to Rajah Ooaloodeane and his servants	Ps. 10 — —	
the amount of Mr. Newcome's bill for dieting and Cloathing two slaves	28 32 40	
		38 32 40
Charges extraordinary.		
the Marshal's note for dieting eight Prisoners	Ps. 7 6 —	
Rattans—one bundle	— 5 60	
		7 11 60
Bombay Presidency.		
allowance money to the widow Burton & her Children		25 — —
New powder House.		
Workmen employed	Ps. 17 18 20	
Materials used	53 8 —	
		70 26 20
	Pagodas	141 34 40

[Sea Custrs. Accot. for last mo. read.] Randal Fowke Sea Customer reads that Account for last month vizt.

Custom on goods imported	Ps. 1740 11 4
Do. on Grain	1233 2 8
	Pags. 2973 13 12

ballance due from him four Thousand nine hundred & sixteen pagodas thirty five fanams and seventy two Cash 4916 . 35 . 72 of which he now pays in one thousand 1000 pagodas.

[Storeho. Accot. for last mo. read.] Augustus Burton Storekeeper reads that Account for last month ballance due from him five hundred forty five pagodas twenty nine fanams and sixty Cash 545 . 29 . 60 which he now pays into Cash.

[...] The Surgeon presents a list of necessaries for the use of the Hospital which the Paymaster is Ordered to purchase and the List to be entered after this Consultation.

[Genl. letters read.] General Letters read vizt.

[From Ingeram.] No. 72 from Mr. John Sanderson at Ingeram dated the 29th. October, enclosing his Accounts for the last year.

[From Vizagapatam.] No. 73 from the provisional Chief and Council of Vizagapatam dated the 23th. October enclosing their Accounts and Consultations for the last year.

[...] the petition of Thomas Tipping Marshal read setting forth that by acting as Goalkeeper since the arrival of the new Charter he is obliged to be at greater expences than before, and therefore prays an additional pay and also to be allowed the use of a House rent free, which last is granted and the petition ordered to be entered.

[...] A Convenient house in York Alley being offered for four hundred and fifty pagodas Ordered that it be purchased for the use of the Marshall.

[...] The petition of William Jermin Soldier was read praying to be discharged from the Military. Ordered as we have more than the Complement of Men that his request be Granted he paying forty four pagodas sixteen fanams 44 . 16 . — as usual and his petition to be Entered.

[Mint Accot. for last mo. read.] The President reads the Mint AccT. Currt. for last month, ballance due from him Rupees forty one thousand one hundred forty five and fifteen annaes which is carried forward, and fifty pagodas five fanams and seventy Cash 50 . 5 . 70 which he now pays in.

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Robert Symonds Import Warehousekeeper pays into Cash Three Thousand 3000 pagodas acco^t^. broad cloth sold. [Imp^t^. Wareh^o^.k^r^. pays in Pag^s^. 3000 on Acc^t^. broad cloth sold.]

Daveroyah Moodulaire Farmer of the Paddy feilds pays into Cash seven hundred and ten pagodas 710 for one year's rent due the first October last. [...]

Poncala Kistna Arrack Farmer, pays into Cash Three hundred thirty five 335 pagodas for a months rent of that farm due the fifth instant. [Arrack Farmer pays in Pag^s^. 335 one mo^s^. rent.]

Poncala Kistnah and Com Chittee Betle and Tobacco Farmers pay into Cash Eight hundred thirty three pagodas & twelve fanams 833 . 12 . — for one months rent of that farm due the fifth instant. [Betle &ca. farmers pay in Pag^s^ 833 . 12 . — one mo^s^. rent.]

The Warehousekeeper produces the Merchants Account Current for the last month, ballance due to them two Thousand six hundred twenty five pagodas five fanams and twenty seven Cash 2625 . 5 . 27 which is ORDERED to be paid. [...]

JA^S^. MACRAE.
ROB^T^. SYMONDS.
J. ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE.
S^LL^. HYDE.
AUG: BURTON.
CHARLES PEERS.

INDENT OF CLOATHING AND NECESSARIES FOR THE HOSPITAL.

Banian Coats Fifty	.. ..	50
Quilts fifty	.. ..	50
Pillows forty	.. ..	40
Pillow Cases eighty	.. ..	80
Shirts eighty	.. ..	80
Drawers one hundred	.. ..	100
Caps one hundred	.. ..	100
Cotts Twenty	.. ..	20
Cottlashings Thirty peices	.. ..	30

FORT S^T^. GEORGE
NOVEMBER 20TH. 1729. MATTHEW LINDSAY.

TO THE HON^BLE^ JAMES MACRAE ESQ^R^. &C^A^. JUSTICES OF THE PEACE.

THE HUMBLE PETITION OF THOMAS TIPPING MARSHAL

SHEWETH

That your Petitioner has served the Honourable Company as Marshal for upwards of sixteen years in which station he humbly hopes he hath behaved with Fidelity.

That upon the receit of the new Charter, your Petitioner observes he is made Keeper of his Majesty's Goal of Madraspatnam, which occasions him abundance more Trouble and great expence in servants for the due keeping of those prisoners Committed for charges on the King's behalf.

That your Petitioner is Informed the Goal keepers of Bombay and Bengal are allowed a Habitation and such other monthly salary as the Consequence of the said post requires, which your Petitioner is likewise advised is the Customary allowance to all the Gaol Keepers in his Majesty's plantations in the West Indies.

That your Petitioner begs leave to observe to this Honorable Bench that he hath a numerous family to maintain and support and no other means for the same than the Hoñble Company's Salary to him as Marshal which is very small.

Your Petitioner therefore most humbly prays this Hoñble Bench will take the aforegoing into Consideration, and give him such relief therein as to them shall seem meet

and Your Petitioner
as in duty bound,
shall ever pray.

To the Hoñble James Macrae Esqr.

President & Governour of Fort S[t]. George.

The Humble Petition of William Jermin

Sheweth

that your Petitioner arrived here on the Military List (from whence he cannot be discharged but by your Honour's special favour) and Mr. Rombold having relinquished the Office of an Attorney of the Mayor's Court, your Petitioner having served a Clerkship to the profession of the Law, would with your Honour's permission Accept his place.

Your Petitioner therefore most humbly prays your Honour to grant him his discharge, he being ready to reimburse the Hoñble Company's Charges in sending him to this place.

and Your Petitioner as in Duty bound,
shall ever pray.

25 Ship Edward Captain David Hunter, arrived from Bengal and brought General Letters from that Presidency.

26 Ship Lynn Capt[a]. Arthur Burton, arrived from Bengal.

28 rec[d]. a general Letter from Ingeram.

At a Consultation

Present

[December] Tuesday 2D.

James Macrae Esq[r]. Governour President.
Robert Symonds. John Roach.
Randal Fowke. Samuel Hyde.
Augustus Burton.

[Paym[r]. adv[d] 2500 p[s]. to defray charges Garrison] The Paymaster requesting cash to defray Charges Garrison &c[t]. Ordered that he be advanced two Thousand five hundred 2500 pagodas.

[Gen[l]. letters read] General Letters read viz[t].

[from Bengal] N°. 74 dated 16th. September 1729 from the President and Council of Bengal, advising They had drawn on us the following bills one for ten thousand five hundred fifty three Madras rupees eleven annaes and nine pice 10553. 11. 9, payable to Messr[s]. Samuel Hyde and Thomas Norman, another for five thousand seven hundred thirty five Madras rupees 5735, payable to James Macrae Esq[r]. & M[r]. Samuel Hyde, which bills being presented, are accepted.

[d°.] N°. 75 dated the 14th. ult°. from the President & Council of Bengal acquainting us They intend to send three Europe Ships to be filled up here.

[from Ingeram] N°. 76 from the Resident at Ingeram dated the 13th. ult[e]. advising the distress of ship Betty and other vessels to the Northward from the late hard winds.

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Madras rupees being now at the rate of 302 ℔ 100 pagodas, ORDERED that the two bills abovementioned be discharged at that rate.

[Petition of Capt. Tullie for the services of James Robson on a Voyage to Mocha.]

The petition of Captain Timothy Tullie was read, requesting that one James Robson in the Military, who has some skill in Physick and Surgery may be permitted to go a voyage with him to Mocha; that place being esteemed very sickly, and he not able to procure any other surgeon, as this is a particular emergency, and the man can be well spared from the Garrison, ORDERED that his request be granted and that James Robson be taken off the Military List during this Voyage and put on again at his return.

[D^{o}. of M^{r}. Thos. Consett for enlargement of his dwelling.]

The Petition of the Reverend M^{r}. Thomas Consett was read, requesting an enlargement of his present Lodgings on account of his having a family,

[Ord^{d}. for a survey of his lodgings]

ORDERED that the Paymaster, Gunner, Head Carpenter and Bricklayer survey the said lodgings, and deliver in an estimate of the charge for compleating what M^{r}. Consett desires to have done, the Petition to be enter'd.

[Land Cust^{r}. pays in ball^{a}. of his Oct. Acco^{t}.]

Samuel Hyde Land Customer pays into Cash one hundred forty seven pagodas twenty eight fanams and forty two Cash 147. 28. 42, the ballance of his Account for October.

[Genl. letter sent to Vizag^{m}. and another to Ingeram]

A General Letter of this date to the Provisional Chief and Council of Vizagapatam was read and signed—and another to the Resident at Ingeram.

JA^{S}. MACRAE.
[*Lacuna*].
J. ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE.
S^{LL}. HYDE.
AUG: BURTON.

TO THE HON^{BLE} JAMES MACRAE ESQ^{R}.

PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE &C^{T}. COUNCILL.

HONOURED SIR & SIRS

The inconveniencies of my Habitation are too manifest to be represented, and your own apprehension of them at my first Coming was the reason of the proposals you were then pleased to make of Enlarging it. Time does not alter but lengthen the reason of doing this, and since it is my lot to come amongst you with a family, I entreat you will so far destinguish me from a Batchelor as to allow me a habitation somewhat larger for a number than would strictly accommodate a single person. The Consideration of our healths besides the want of Several necessary Conveniencies in these strait Quarters oblige me to make this request, otherwise would not presume to give you the trouble of this application, and desire the necessity of it may excuse

Your Honours most Obedient
Humble Servant and Chaplain
THOMAS CONSETT.

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE
DECEMBER THE 2^{D}. 1729.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

TUESDAY 9TH.

JAMES MACRAE ESQ^{R}. GOVERNOUR PRESIDENT.
JOHN ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE. SAMUEL HYDE.
CHARLES PEERS.

N°. 77 a General Letter from the Deputy Govern^{r}. &c^{t}. Council of Fort S^{t}. David was read with which came their Account of Cash for the month of October, and their General books for the last year.

—*FORT ST. GEORGE, DECEMBER 1729*—

N°. 78 a Letter to the President from Captain John Pye Commander of the George brigantine was read, acquainting of the great hopes he had of getting that vessel off so soon as he is Assisted with men and stores.

ORDERED that a Country Boat be hired and sent to the George brigantine with such stores &c^t^. as Capt^a^. Pye has requested, and that Letters be wrote to the Governours &c^t^. of Colombo and Negapatam to thank them for what service They have done and to request their further assistance.

The President read the Account of the Honble Company's Cash for last month ballance remaining one hundred & eight thousand four hundred and thirty four pagodas one fanam and seventy two cash 108434. 1. 72 which is Carried forward.

The petition of Captain David Hunter was read setting forth that he had inadvertently landed a parcel of raw silk which he could not dispose of without great Loss and prays to be permitted to reship the same cust[om] free at this port as he intends to reland it at Surat where the Company's Duties will be fully paid—which is GRANTED on Condition that he give security to reland the Raw silk at some of the Company's Ports, and there pay the usual Customs.

The Petition of the Right and Left hand Casts in behalf of themselves and the Inhabitants of Madrass was read and ORD^D^. to be Enter'd and a Copy thereof to be sent in the Packet to England.

Duplicates of two Letters from the President & Council of Bengal of the 16th September and 14th Novr. were rec^d^. the first of them inclosing Copy of a Bill of Loading for one hundred and twenty bags of Saltpetre ship'd on board the Hertford in Decr. last.

JA^S^. MACRAE.
[*Lacuna*].
J. ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE.
S^LL^. HYDE.
[*Lacuna*].

TO THE HON^BLE^ JAMES MACRAE ESQ^R^.

PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR &C^T^. COUNCIL.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Having inadvertently landed here a parcel of Raw silk before I enquired what demand there was for it, my Chief reason being to Lighten my ship which was very deep, and finding the market here so low that I cannot dispose of it without a very Considerable Loss; therefore I humbly beg your Honour &c^t^. would permit me to reship it without paying the Company's Custom and as I am Bound from hence to Surat, the Honble Company will be no sufferers by it, since it will there pay their Customs and Consulage.

I am with great respect
HONBLE S^R^. & SIRS
Your most Obedient Humble servant
DAVID HUNTER.

FORT S^T^. GEORGE
8TH. DECEMBER 1729.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY 15TH.

JAMES MACRAE ESQ^R^. GOVERNOUR PRESIDENT.
ROBERT SYMONDS. JOHN ROACH.
RANDAL FOWKE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON. CHARLES PEERS.

The Paymaster &c^t^. deliver in a report of their survey of M^r^. Consett's Lodgings, acquainting that the Walls too thin to support upper rooms.

—*FORT ST. GEORGE, DECEMBER 1729*—

Mr. Fowke Sea Customer read a Letter to him from Mr. Nathaniel Turner advising of some mistakes in his Account of Customs to his prejudice one hundred fifty six pagodas seven fanams fifty six cash 156. 7. 56 for which he desires redress.

Mr. Fowke produced the invoices & acquaints the Board that he has examined into the accounts, & does acknowledge the errors to be as Mr. Turner has represented ; wherefore ORDERED that the said sum be repaid Mr. Turner and charged in the Sea Customer's Account for November.

The Secretary delivers in Captain Hunter's obligation for five hundred eighty two 582. pagodas for relanding the Raw silk according to agreement in last Consultation.

Mr. Symonds acquaints the Board that in the last storm he had about Twenty bales of Raw silk damaged ; which having been surveyed by the Sea Customer, he reports the damage to be about seven ℔ Cent ORDERED that an abatement in the Customs be made in that proportion.

General letters read vizt.

No. 79 dated the 11th. Instant from the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort St. David, advising Ship Lynn was drove ashore near Porto Novo, and of their sending a party of men to secure the Effects.

No. 80 from ditto dated 12th. enclosing a Letter from the Governour of Pondicherry to Mr. Pitt offering any assistance of Men &ct. for securing the Lynn Cargo.

No. 81 from the Deputy Governour & Council of St. David dated the 12th enclosing four original Letters from the Hovildar of Porto Novo &ct. with the Deputy Governour's answers, and acquaints that by the said Hovildar's proceedings, They thought it needful to send a reinforcement to the Lynn's wreck.

No. 82 from the Provisional Chief & Council of Vizagapatam, dated the 14th. ulto.

No. 83 from the Resident at Ingeram, dated the 1st. December.

the Office of Searcher at the Seagate and that of Sub-Accomptant being vacant by the removal of Mr. Walsh ORDERED that Mr. Torriano be appointed to act in both.

Several Gentlemen having desired to pay money into the Company's Cash for our bills of exchange but we having no immediate occasion for Cash and the Company's orders being very strict on that head. AGREED that no bills be granted but on some extraordinary occasions.

ORDERED that the Secretary acquaint the Right and left hand Casts in answer to their Petition-that therein is contained some matters not in the power of this Board to alter, but such as are in our power and we judge real grievances shall be readily redressed, an instance of which may be seen by the order made at the Court the last session concerning the Grand Jury

that They may be fully assured of our protection and of all the liberty and indulgence the Law will permit and

that They have the usual liberty of arbitrating differences among their own casts If applied to by the Contending parties and in this case to recommend to them to have the Bonds of Arbitration Authorized by a rule of Court to prevent further disputes.

The Land Customer's Account for last month was read vizt.

Choultry Customs	Ps. 191	21	78
Ruby brokerage	12	29	56
registering slaves	10	16	—
	Pags. 214	31	54

ballance due from him two hundred and two pagodas thirteen fanams and fifty four Cash 202. 13. 54 which is carried forward.

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Augustus Burton Storekeeper, read his Account for last month, ballance due to him one hundred forty five pagodas twelve fanams and seventy five Cash 145. 12. 75.

Ordered that a General letter be wrote to the Deputy Governour &ct. Council of Fort St. David to approve of their sending a Military Force to secure what can be saved of the Lynn's Cargo, that orders be given them to act defensively, and not to molest the inhabitants, and to give Mr. Harris leave to come hither according to his request.

Jas. Macrae.
[*Lacuna*].
J. Roach.
Randall Fowke.
[*Lacuna*].
Aug: Burton.
[*Lacuna*].

To the Honble James Macrae Esqr.

President & Governour &cr. Council of Fort Sr. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Pursuant to your Honour's &ct. orders, we have surveyed Mr. Consetts Lodgings, and find that the walls thereof are too thin for the support of upper rooms.

We are
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most obedient and most Humble Servants
John Roach.
David Murray.

Fort Sr. George
15th. Decemr. 1729.

Mr. Fowke.

Sr.

On Examining your notes with my Coral invoices, I find I have made two mistakes in giving you the amount of my invoices.

D.F. No. 9.10 ᵽ Grantham.

I put the sum	£ 3643	19	6
Instead of	2462	5	2
the difference is	1181	14	4 wch.
@ Ps. 2½ ᵽ ℔ makes Ps. 2954. 4. 10 the Custom being five ᵽ Cent thereon, I have paid more than I shod. by	Ps. 147	25	56

I.S./F. No. 4 ᵽ ship Eyles.

	md.	℔
I put down Rough Coral	10	20
the Invoice makes but	7	3

so that difference is 3: 17 which at Ps. 62. 18 ᵽ md. is Ps. 225, the Custom being five ᵽ Cent thereon I have paid more than I shod. by .. 11 18 —

the amount of the overplus pd. by mistake is .. Pags. 159 7 56

to prove the money paid, you'll find it in your Sea Custom book in July last the first article, Entry No. 149 the second article, entry No. 148 as by your Sea Custom bills which I have to shew and to prove my mistake I refer you to my Invoices and I do assure you I have no such sum as that of £3643. 19. 6 in any

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invoice from England this year, and I cannot Conceive how I came to make that mistake but as the matter is so plain I doubt not I shall have the Overplus returned me and am

S^R^.
Your most Humble servant
NATHANIEL TURNER.

FORT S^T^. GEORGE
15TH. DECEMBER 1729.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

SATURDAY 20TH.

JAMES MACRAE ESQ^R^. GOVERNOUR PRESIDENT.
ROBERT SYMONDS. JOHN ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON. CHARLES PEERS.

Randal Fowke Sea Customer, reads that Account for last month vizt.

Custom on goods imported	P^s^.	116	25	32
Custom on Grain		73	5	28
	Pag^s^.	189	30	60

ballance due from him four thousand and seventy four pagodas Thirty one fanams and fifty two Cash 4074. 31. 52 of which he now pays in Three Thousand 3000 pagodas.

The Secretary delivers in two papers sent him by the Register of the Mayor's Court which were read, but the Consideration of them deferred to another opportunity.

The Register of the Mayor's Court acquainting the Board that the body of Aldermen were agreed in the choice of M^r^. Thomas Weston to serve as Mayor for the ensuing year, he was accordingly sworn into that office.

AGREED that M^r^. Richard Horden be appointed Sheriff for the Ensuing year, and he appearing, was accordingly sworn into that office.

JA^S^. MACRAE.
[*Lacuna*].
J. ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE.
[*Lacuna*].
AUG: BURTON.
[*Lacuna*].

Mem^d^. the seven following Blank sides of paper were left for the Two Letters from y^e^. Mayor's Court, but Copies of them being sent home in the packet ℔ Compton, They are not Entered here. [*Note.—The India Office has replied that these two letters are not traceable among their records.*]

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, DECEMBER 1729*——

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY 22TH.

JAMES MACRAE ESQR. GOVERNOUR PRESIDENT.
ROBERT SYMONDS. JOHN ROACH.
RANDAL FOWKE. SAMUEL HYDE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON. CHARLES PEERS.

Robert Symonds Import Warehousekeeper, reads that Account for last month ballance due from him five Thousand and six pagodas twenty seven fanams and fifty two Cash 5006. 27. 52 of which he pays into Cash five thousand 5000 pagodas.

Robert Symonds Export Warehousekeeper, reads that Account for last month ballance due from him four hundred and four pagodas eleven fanams & thirty four Cash 404. 11. 34 which is Carried forward.

John Roach Paymaster, reads that Account for last month, vizt.

Charges Garrison	Ps. 1298	19	—
Charges Cattle	66	24	—
Charges Hospital	26	32	—
Fort Marlbrough	10	—	—
Charges Extraordinary	16	6	—
Charges General	380	4	65
Bombay Presidency	25	—	—
Charges Diet	583	12	—
Repairs of fortifications	130	24	70
	Pags. 2537	14	55

ballance due to him Thirty seven pagodas fourteen fanams and fifty five Cash 37. 14. 55 which is ORDERED to be paid.

The extraordinary Charges this month arise from the following particulars vizt.

FORT MARLBROUGH.						
allowance money to Raja Oaloóodeane and his servants				Ps. 10	—	—
CHARGES EXTRAORDINARY.						
prisoners diet as ℔ Marshal's note ..	Ps. 4	—	—			
bonfire on the fifth instant	5	—	—			
Rope & Coolys employed in hangg. Two Criminals	1	16	—			
Sundrys presented the Governour of Pullamullee	5	26	—			
				16	6	—
BOMBAY PRESIDENCY.						
allowance money to the widow Burton & her Children				25	—	—
				Pagodas 51	6	—

The petition of the Inhabitants and Renters of Egmore &ct. Villages was read setting forth that for want of rain the last year They are unable to pay their rent, & request therefore to be charged no more than the Paddy feilds produced in that time.

ORDERED that as we think the Cowle is Lett at a moderate rent and will one year with another produce the Renters a reasonable profit that They Comply with the conditions therein, but if They think the terms of the Cowle too hard, that They have Liberty to resign.

The petition of Daveroyah Renter of the Paddy feilds &ct. was read, setting forth that Padre Thomas keeps from him the use of a tank which of right belongs to the Company's paddy feilds, ORDERED that Messrs. Roach, Fowke & Peers examine into this matter and report the same to the Board, and that They desire Mr. Horden to assist in the enquiry.

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The report of the Committee appointed to examine into the merits of M^r. Joseph Walsh's petition to the Hoñble Court of Directors was read with the Account Current delivered in by them, both which are approved of and ORDERED that the ballance of that Account being six Thousand and twenty dollars one suco and ninety eight Cash 6020. 1. 98 be paid to M^r. Walsh, he giving his Bond to refund the same in case the payment shou'd not be approved of by the Hoñble Court of Directors.

ORDERED that the report with the Acco^t. Current and the extracts of orders &c^t. annexed thereto, be entered after this Consultation.

A Letter from M^r. Charles Peers concerning the petition delivered by the Right and left hand Casts, was read and ORDERED to be entered.

N°. 84 a Letter from the Chief &c^t. Council of Anjengo, dated the 24th. ultimo was read, acquainting of the suspension of M^r. Wallis of that place, and it's being approved by the Hoñble the President and Council of Bombay and desiring the packet formerly sent by him for the Hoñble Court of Directors may be returned to them or sent to the Governour and Council of Bombay.

M^r. Hyde Land Customer, pays into Cash the sum of two hundred and two pagodas thirteen fanams and fifty four Cash 202. 13. 54 the ballance of his Account for last month.

Poncala Kistnah and Com Chittee Renters of the Tobacco and Betle farm pay into Cash eight hundred thirty three pagodas and twelve fanams 833. 12. — for one month's rent due the fifth instant.

Poncala Kistnah farmer of the Arrack Licence pays into Cash Three hundred and thirty five pagodas 335 for one month's rent due the 5th. Instant.

The Secretary pays into Cash forty four pagodas sixteen fanams 44. 16. — for William Jermin's Acquittance from the Military, agreeable to an order of Consultation the 24th. Ultimo.

JA^S. MACRAE.
ROB^T. SYMONDS.
J. ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE.
S^EL. HYDE.
AUG: BURTON.
CHARLES PEERS.

TO THE HONBLE JAMES MACRAE ESQ^R.

PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR OF FORT S^T. GEORGE &C^T. COUNCIL.

THE PETITION OF THE INHABITANTS OF EGMORE, PERSIAWAAC AND TANDORE

HUMBLY SHEWETH

Whereas your Petitioners having Taken the Cowle of the above named Villages for the space of Ten years, and have for the first Three years paid their rent punctually according to their Cowle ; but this last year there being a great famine and the feilds all parched up for want of rain and our Cattle dying for want of food, and your Petitioners almost famished with hunger, now your Petitioners being pressed for the payment of last year's rent which They are not able to perform, therefore your Petitioners most humbly Request your Honour &c^t. Council will be pleased to Grant them the allowance that has been granted formerly to the Renters of the said Villages in the Like case, as in the time of Governour Harrison & Governour Collett, there was four years of famine and the said Villages rented by Colloway Chittee who paid no more than the produce of the villages during the years of famine.

Therefore your poor Petitioners most humbly request your Honour &c^t. Council will be pleased to grant them this favour, and

They as in duty bound Shall ever pray.

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To the Honble James Macrae Esq[r].

President and Governour of Fort S[t]. George &c[t]. Council.

The petition of Daveroy Renter of the paddy feilds and Saltpans

Humbly Sheweth

Whereas the Tank near Padre Thomas's garden has belonged to the Hon̄ble Company for above these fifty years and a peice of Ground belonging to the Gentue pagoda which Padre Thomas took in Exchange for another, which Dispute Governour Hastings ordered to be decided by M[r]. Fowke and M[r]. Hugonin who knew the truth of this matter now the Padre has taken away from the Tank one of the places for drawing of water which always had Two or three for the use of the Companys paddy feilds and has removed his fence from his own Ground to the Company's, upon which your Petitioner sent his servant to the Padre to enquire why he had removed his hedge to the Company's ground, for which he struck the servant, as your Honour and Council have given orders to your petitioners to Take care of the Company's ground therefore he Thought it his duty to lay this matter before your Honour &c[t]. and that the Paddy feilds chiefly depend on this said tank for their water—therefore your petitioner humbly requests your Honour &c[t]. Council will be pleased to examine this matter

and he as in duty bound

Shall ever pray.

To the Honble James Macrae Esq[r].

President and Governour of Fort S[t]. George &c[t]. Council.

Hon̄ble Sir & Sirs

[a] Extract No. 1. [b] do. No. 2. In pursuance of an order of Council dated the [*lacuna*] we have taken into Consideration M[r]. Joseph Walsh's petition[a] and Account[b] hereunto annexed exhibited to the Hon̄ble Court of Directors when the said M[r]. Walsh was last in England, and by them referred to the Consideration of this Honourable Board.

To set this affair in a proper light we must beg leave to observe there are two material articles that immediately offer themselves to our view, viz[t]. Salary and Diet allowance, each of which being attended with various Circumstances in relation to Time, Place and other Occurrences, we have made the Subject of two different queries, of moneys that have been refunded and moneys unpaid, and what Letters, Consultations &c[t]. have herein been referred to, are extracted from the originals, and added by way of appendix to the observations we have made thereon, that our Honble Masters and this Hon̄ble Board may see on what grounds we proceed.

Article first—Salary refunded & unpaid.

[c] Extract No. 3 The salary refunded[c] was from 27. August 1723 to the 29th. September 1724 at one hundred pounds ℔ Annum or as it is Customarily paid in dollars four to the pound, four hundred dollars ℔ Annum, amounting to dollars 435. 3. 10.

[a] Extract No. 4 To this, we observe the special covenants[a] entered into by the said Joseph Walsh with the Hon̄ble President and Council of this place in the year 1723 entituled him to £ 200 ℔ Annum, *salary with all other perquisities emoluments and benefits usually enjoyed by other Deputy Governours of Fort Marlbrough.*

[b] do. No. 5 The President and Council of Fort S[t]. George in their Letter[b] to Bencoolen dated 4th. October 1724 interpreted the £ 200 mentioned in the indenture to be part salary as Deputy Governour and the other half as Captain of the Military, & being unwilling to allow the Deputy Governour £ 200 as Salary and at the same time £ 100 more as

an emolument he being Captain of the Soldiers, They therefore ordered what had been received over and above the £ 200 should be refunded, conceiving the £ 200 to include the whole that was due to his Covenants, and from hence arises this Question

whether Mr. Walsh's indentures will bear this explanation, or in other words whether the allowance as Captain of the Soldiers shall be Esteemed as an emolument or benefit usually enjoyed by other Deputy Governours of the West Coast.

To clear up this, it may be usefull to observe the Honble Company in their letter to this place dated January 3d. 1710, paragraph 119 have particularly destinguished these two allowances, where having first settled the salary they then add and the Deputy Governour shall have £ 100 more as Captain of the Soldiers, and the same has always been Charged on the Military list not on the Civil, which distinction may very well entitle the £ 100 more as Capta. to the denomination of an Emolument or benefit, wherefore we humbly Conceive the Construction of Mr. Walsh's Indentures will run for salary and benefits vizt. Salary determinatively mentioned in the Covenants £ 200 and the benefit of £ 100 more as Captain of the Soldiers.

nor is this Construction very different from the Intention of our Honble Masters for admitting Mr. Walsh to receive £ 200 salary and £ 100 as Captain of ye. Soldiers is no more than the Company have in other words granted to the Deputy Governour **Extract No. 6.** in 1710, when They granted £ 300 under the denomination of *Salary Gratuity and Captain*, and gave a liberty in para 120 to admit *any Successour appointed in future upon the same encouragement*. It is true Governr. Elwick and his Council pushed the Liberty given them, encouraging for Mr. Walsh when They peremptorily admitted the Salary & Gratuity under one denomination, and Covenanted for £ 200 Salary without restriction or regard to his future behaviour and merits for the Gratuity but the Gentlemen who entered into those Covenants in 1723, ought to be Accountable for their freedom taken and not afterwards excuse their Oversight if it was such at the Expence of the person with whom They Contracted by a forced construction contrary to the Common rules of practice.

We observed further this is the Construction our President Mr. Macrae made, who while he was SupraVisor made a Standing order that the Deputy Governrs. in future should have but £ 100 ℔ Annum Salary, but perusing and considering Mr. Walsh's indentures he in the West Coast Consultation of 25th. March 1724 expresly excepts Mr. Walsh from the observance of that order, *and allowed him to Continue at £ 200 ℔ Annum according to his Agreement with the Honble President and Council at Fort St. George*, *and the tenour of Mr. Walsh's Indentures were for so far approv'd of by the Honble Company the 2d. Febry 1724-5 as well Intended. **See Extract No. 8.**

To the Second part of the first Article vizt. Sallary Unpaid the same Reasons will Demand a relief to Mr. Walsh according to the Condition of his Covenants by which we must be guided in obedience of the last Orders of the Honble Company.

ARTICLE 2D. DIET ALLOWANCE REFUNDED AND UNPAID.

The Diet Allowance was from the 1st October 1723 to the 28 Febry 1723-4 At Dollars 150 per Month Amounts to Dollars 750.

In our search after this particular we find in the West Coast Consultation of the 6th of March 1723-4 the Supra Vizor demanding by what Authority the Deputy Governour had receiv'd 150 Dollars per Mensem for his Table over and above the accustomary allowances ; After which is Enter'd Mr. Walsh's reply wherein he did insist upon the reasonableness of this Allowance as Grounded upon the Terms of his Covenant And the constant Allowance to his Predicessors Messrs. Cooke, Pyke, Hubbard and Dunster, And moreover that he did apprehend the same was Granted by an express Order from the Honble Company either by the Hertford or the Addison but that Letter being Mislaid or carried away by Mr. Hubbard the late Supra Vizor,

* The matter commencing from "and the tenour of" etc. on this page up to the end of this Consultation ending on page 130 has been kindly supplied by the India Office.

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See Extract No. 9. Do. and Mr. Walsh thereby not being able to produce the same for his vindication It was Agreed that what had been so receiv'd should be Lodged in the Company's Cash untill the Matter should be determin'd at Fort St. George.

Upon this reference the same was taken into consideration at Fort St. George the 16th September 1724 where was produc'd a Letter from the Honble Company by See Extract No. 12. Ship Hertford dated 9th March 1719 par^{a}. 71 wherein they allow'd of the 150 Dollars per Mensem to answer the surplus expence which the Deputy Governour must needs be at in providing for the better sort of Strangers who usually have recourse to his See Extract Nos. 10, 11. Table upon which discovery it was propos'd to repay what Mr. Walsh had as above refunded, but as it was then thought the said Mr. Walsh and others his Predicessors See Ext^{tt} No. 13. had taken several allowances without paying for them the Board thought fit to refer the decision of this Affair to the Honble Court of Directors who in reply thereto in their Letter dated 1st December 1725 would not determine anything till they should hear whether Mr. Walsh was deserving of the Commendations this Board had then given him so that we observe the Affair has never been decided either at the West Coast, here or in England.

See Extract No. 3. Our Honble Masters having been so kind as to reinstate Mr. Walsh in their Service & having sent us Copys of what relates to him Commanding us to examine the grievances he complains of and to afford him such relief as in Justice and Equity this Board find him Entitled to by his Covenants & their Orders We think it usefull to retrospect on the occasion of the Refund, & finding by the Consultation as well as See Extract No. 14 a Letter from Mr. Macrae then Supravizor to Mr. Walsh the only reason for demanding a refund was through want of producing the above Letter And that upon a Motion made at Fort St. George for a reimbursement of that Refund Mr. Macrae did not Do oppose it giving for reason the allowance had been approv'd from Europe, and that he had not found Mr. Walsh unworthy of the Honble Company's Bounty We also join in his opinion And in regard to Mr. Walsh's known Benevolence to Strangers & others during his residency at Bencoolen We cannot conceive any Objection why the Allowance towards a surplus expence of the Deputy Governour's Table was not according to the use and intent of the Honble Company & in justice and Equity due to Mr. Walsh, as we find Mr. Cook demanded and receiv'd 900 Dollars on the like Account by an express Order from this Board the 30th March 1721.

In Answer to the Second part of this Article vizt. Allowance of Diet Unpaid We conclude from the same reasoning that the Allowance should be continued to Mr. Walsh unless he had acted unworthy of this Bounty by a discontinuance of his Table to Strangers & others according to the first intentions: But this we cannot find to be the Case for on the Contrary by what we have heard Mr. Walsh has always endeavour'd to support the Honour of the Settlement by obliging Strangers & other Gentlemen who used to resort to his House & Table.

The last Mention made of this Affair that we can find is in the Answer Mr. Walsh gave to a Charge exhibited against him by Mr. George Torriano & his Council at the West Coast Wherein Mr. Walsh demands payment of his Sallary & Diet Allowance as here before cited, To which demand Mr. Torriano & Council See Extract No. 15. reply'd That they were a little surpriz'd at his Demanding of them any Sum of Money to be repaid him on Account of Diet and Sallary after he had himself Signed the Consultations wherein those things were given up. Which appear'd to us to be See Extract No. 9. a good reason for preventing any further Enquiry into this Matter: But having Interrogated Mr. Walsh upon this Point he desir'd us to look back upon the See Extract No. 16. Consultations wherein it was thought he had so given them up which are dated 6th & 25th March 1723-4 And therein observ'd the words of the Agreement to run thus vizt. Agreed That Mr. Walsh and Mr. Dunster repay into Cash what they have receiv'd on this Account untill the Matter can be determin'd by the Honble the Governour & Council of Fort St. George. And in the next Consultation it is Agreed

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that the Allowance of Wine Arrack &c[a]. be entirely taken off and the whole Charge of Diet be settled in the following manner viz[t]. the Deputy Governour 100 Dollars per Mensem &c[a]. &c[a].

And hereupon Mr. Walsh did observe that the Agreement for an Allowance of 100 Dollars per Mensem being immediately after his Claim to the 150 per mensem was disputed and then stood referr'd to Fort St. George he only submitted to the 100 Dollars per mensem in lieu of the Ordinary Allowances of Wine &c[a]. stores 60 Dollars with his 40 Dollars for provisions allow'd by the Old Establishment, And still reserved to himself the Benefit of the Bounty formerly given to his Predicessors as a Surplus Allowance which he did not doubt would be confirm'd to him from Fort St. George upon discovery of the Hertford's Letter then not produceable And he hoped as his Right to the Bounty was as yet undetermin'd the Committee would take this plea into consideration that the Committee would overlook the want of Forms in making his Claim & put the Issue upon the foot of Equity and Justice according to the Tenour of his Covenants which could not be abolished or abrogated during his possession of them by virtue of which he for a considerable time after presided and acted as Deputy Governour for and by leave of the Honble Company.

As we cannot entirely confute his reasons so we in some measure allow of them And as in this Article the whole Question as mention'd by Mr. Macrae arose for want of the Company's letter which was only Mislaid, so we conceive had Mr. Walsh been so fortunate as to have found the letter per Hertford the Allowance had never been question'd but admitted by the Supra Vizor; Wherefore upon the whole do think his acquiescence to be no more than a suspension from receiving that allowance till his Right could be examin'd into. And since the Honble Company have by their last Letter put the question upon the Issue of the Tenour of his Covenants, We think ourselves obliged to say his Covenants entitle him to all Benefits and Emoluments his predicessors enjoy'd.

We have before observ'd that upon the discovery of the Letter per Hertford in Consultation September 1724, the Refund had then been paid, but that for reason there mention'd Mr. Walsh and others his Predicessors had taken several allowances which those Gentlemen conceiv'd the Company had order'd to be paid for at 20 per Cent Advance Although they are Calculated into the 604½ Dollars Settled by Mr. Cooke. See Extract No. 10.

We have therefore examin'd into this Objection and find that Mr. Cooke in his West Coast Consultation of the 30th September 1718 settled a certain quantity of Wine & Arrack to be allow'd to each of the Company's Servants besides their Diet Money which all together would then amount to no more than 604½ Dollars per Month, But as this Allowance was as near as the Matter would admit of Mr. Cooke added some further Privilidges to the Company's Servants Viz[t]. That they should buy of the Company's Farmers at the Buzar price, That they joining in Messes should have one of the Company's slaves to attend each Mess and further in Case the Servants should want more than their Allowances that the Storekeeper should dispose of all dieting stores or House utensils under his charge to the Company's Servants for the use of their own Table at 20 per Cent Advance. This paragraph we presume has given occasion for the Gentlemen in Consultation September 1724 to conceive that Mr. Cooke's allowances of Wine & Arrack were to be bought by the Company's Servants at 20 per Cent Advance and paid for out of their Diet money. Whereas Mr. Cooke did intend the Allowances of Wine & Arrack should be deliver'd gratis over & above their Diet money, as does appear by his adding up the Cost of those Liquors to the Diet money whereby the Monthly Expence for 28 persons he said would come to Dollars 604½ & so he plainly says in a Para. of his Letter to this Presidency dated 29th November 1718 wherein he observing the Company in their Letter by the Queen thought those who had an allowance of Diet money would account it sufficient both for Food & Liquors, he says that Provisions were so excessive dear in that place that it was impossible for the Gentlemen to subsist on their Diet money without a proportionable allowance of Liquors, And therefore advised this Presidency

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that he would continue to deliver out Liquors &ca. over & above the Diet money & our President Mr. Macrae did admit the same when he was supravizor there who did not abolish the Allowance of Liquors and Stores, but approv'd of them, only appointing that 60 Dollars per Month should be given the Deputy Governour in lieu of them, & this besides the 40 Dollars per Month Diet money, all which has been approv'd from England, Nor can we find Mr. Walsh has receiv'd any allowance more than settled by Mr. Cooke & Mr. Hubbard except that for five months he receiv'd sugar and Sugar Candy and both Wax and Wax Candles, which we don't find authoriz'd by any former Establishment & therefore he is Debted for the same in his Account Current herewith deliver'd.

Thus we have endeavour'd to sift into the bottom of this Affair, and We hope the pains we have taken to prevent any further Misunderstanding will excuse the Length of our Narrative, which is humbly submitted to the Consideration of this Honble Board

We are

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most Obedient Servants

Robert Symonds.
Randall Fowke.
Samuel Hyde.
Charles Peers.

Dr. Mr. Joseph Walsh His Account Current. Cr.

Dr.		Cr.	
To 5 Months Overcharge of Candles 250 per Month is ds. 20 each month ..	100 — —	By a refund of Sallary from the 27th Augt. 1723 to the 29th Septr. 1724 is yr. m. d. 1 : 1 : 2. at Dollars 400 per annum.	435 3 10
To Ditto .... Sugar Candy 66 lb. per month is ds. 7 : 2s. each month ..	37 2 —	By a refund of Diet allowance from 1 Oct: 1723 to the ulto. Febry 1723-4 is 5 mos. at 150 Dollars per month	750 — —
To Ditto .... sugar lb. 132 per month is 8 Dollars each month	40 — —	By Sallary unpaid from 29th Septr. 1724 to the 18th July 1726 is yr. m. d. 1 : 9 : 20. at 400 Dollars per Annum ..	722 — 88
	177 2 —	By Diet Allowance unpaid from 1st March 1723-4 to the 18th July 1726 is yrs. m. d. 2 : 4 : 18. at 150 Dollars per month	4290 — —
To Ballance due to Joseph Walsh	6020 — —		
Dollars	6197 3 98	Dollars	6197 3 98

Errors excepted

per Robert Symonds.
Randall Fowke.
Samuel Hyde.
Charles Peers.

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EXTRACTS REFERR'D TO BY THE COMMITTEE IN THEIR REPORT ON THE MERITS OF MR. JOSEPH WALSH'S PETITION TO THE HONBLE COURT OF DIRECTORS AND BY THEM REFERR'D TO THE GOVERNOUR AND COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

TO THE HONBLE THE COURT OF DIRECTORS
OF THE UNITED COMPANY OF MERCHANTS OF ENGLAND
TRADING TO THE EAST INDIES.

THE PETITION OF JOSEPH WALSH

HUMBLY SHEWETH

That in the year 1723 your Petitioner had the Honour to be appointed Deputy Governour of Fort Marlbrough and thereon Enter'd into special Covenants with the President and Council of Fort St. George on behalf of your Honrs. wherein was stipulated & Agreed that your Petitioner should be allow'd two hundred pounds Sallary, and such other perquisites, Emoluments and Benefits as have been customarily allow'd by the Company to their Deputy Governours of Fort Marlbrough. No. 1.

That the said Sallary of two hundred pounds per Annum was Confirmed and Continued by Mr. Macrae when Supravizor there as Enter'd in his Consultation of the 25th March 1724.

That your Honrs. in your Letter to the West Coast dated 9th March 1719, did direct that one hundred and ninety Dollars per Mensem should be allow'd to your Deputy Governour of said place besides a certain quantity of Wine Arrack & other necessarys for his Table which being valued at 80 Dollars made the whole of your said Order for Diet to amount to two hundred and seventy Dollars per Mensem.

That your Petitioners Predicessors have been constantly paid at that rate from the date of the said Letter and your petitioner for some time enjoy'd the same.

That notwithstanding your Honrs. positive Orders for said allowance the constant complyance therewith for several years and the express conditions in the Covenants aforesaid, your petitioner has not been paid since November 1724 any more than one hundred pounds per annum as Sallary and only one hundred Dollars per Mensem towards defraying the Charge of his Table and what he had receiv'd before that time pursuant to the said Orders and Agreements he has been obliged to repay into the Company's Cash.

Wherefore your Petitioner humbly prays that the Honble Court of Directors will be pleased to take these Matters into their serious Consideration and afford him such redress as in their Mature Judgment they shall think him justly entitled to.

And your petitioner shall ever pray &ca.

MR. WALSH HIS ACCOUNT OF SALLARY & DIET DUE TO HIM DURING HIS SERVICE AT THE WEST COAST VIZT. No. 2.

Repaid by him into the Company's Cash Vizt.

For Sallary receiv'd from the 27th August 1723 to the 29th September 1724 at Dollars 400 per Annum Dollars ..	435	3	10			
For Diet allowance from primo October 1723 to ulto. Feb. 1723–4 at 150 Dollars per Mensem	750	—	—			
				1185	3	10
Sallary not paid him from 29th Sept. 1724 to the 19th of July 1726 at 400 Dollars per annum	724	1	17			
Diet unpaid from the 1st March 1723–4 to the 19th of July 1726 at Dollars 150 per Mensem	4293	2	68			
				5017	3	85
	Rylls. 8/8 ..			6203	2	95

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In a Letter from England dated 21st February 1728–9 par. 64, are these words :

N°. 3. 64. Mr. Joseph Walsh return'd on the Stanhope and having made application to us to be reinstated in our Service we have therefore permitted him to return to Fort St. George there to be Employ'd in such station as you. shall judge he may be most serviceable to the Company, and Enclosed in the Packet we send you Copy of Mr. Walsh's Petition to us relating to several hardships he alledges to have suffer'd on adjustment of his Accounts contrary to the Covenants enter'd into with the Governour and Council of Fort St. George respecting his Sallary, Diet money &c^a^. as by the several Extracts of Consultations, Letters and an Account of what he claims as due to him thereto Annex'd. We would have you examine the Grievances he complains of and afford him such relief as in Justice and Equity you find him entitled to by his Covenants and our Orders.

In Mr. Walsh's Indentures are these words :

N°. 4. It's likewise further Agreed by & between the said Parties to these presents that in Consideration of the said Joseph Walsh his performance of all and every the Agreements, Covenants and Articles herein specified Stipulated & Agreed that he shall receive the Sallary of two hundred pounds sterling and such other perquisites, Emoluments & Benefits as have been heretofore customarily granted and allowed by the said Company to their Deputy Governours of Fort Marlbrough.

In a Letter from Madrass to Bencoolen dated 4th October 1724 are these words :

N°. 5. In Mr. Walsh's Covenants he is appointed the Sallary of two hundred pounds per Annum which he understood as all he was to receive, so that we were very much surpriz'd to find he Charg'd £ 200 as Deputy Governour and one hundred as Captain of the Soldiers, his own Covenants would have told him he was to enjoy what other Deputy Governours had done which was £100 as Deputy Governour & £100 as Captain of the Soldiers And so that £ 200 mention'd in them were design'd, wherefore we direct that on receipt hereof he pay into Cash what he has so receiv'd more than intended by Us and more than he is warranted by his Indentures.

In a Letter from England to Fort St. George dated 3d January 1710 par: 119 & 120 are these words :

N°. 6. 119. We hope to be able to get the Jane out with, or speedily after this Ship, but if she should miscarry which God forbid and you have certain advice of it, then do you take particular care of sending honest able persons thither And give him who is appointed Deputy Governour an assurance as we have done here to Mr. Collet whom we have chosen Deputy Governour that he shall have one hundred pounds a year sallary, one hundred more as Captain of the Soldiers and one hundred pounds further as a Gratuity to be paid him here if he shall be found to deserve it. That he be a Nominal lowest of Council of Fort St. George on his going thither And that he Continue four years thereafter which time he be at liberty to return to Fort St. George and be of the Council according to his standing whether as youngest or higher if there has happen'd any vacancys in his absence and at the Sallary of the place.

120. That if he misbehave himself you shall have liberty to displace him and put another in his stead on the same terms of Encouragement And so from time to time till our further Order.

In the West Coast Consultation dated 25th March 1724 are these words :

N°. 7. It being the Honble Company's positive Orders in the 29th & 30th paragraphs of their Letter per Mead Frigat dated the 9th January 1719 That the Sallary should be appointed in the following manner Viz^t^ :

The Deputy Governour shall be allowed one hundred pounds.

The Second of Council	eighty	pounds.
Third	sixty	d°.
Fourth	fifty	d°.
Fifth	forty	d°.

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And if there be any more of Council they shall have but thirty pounds a year It being Factor's sallary.

ORDER'D, that the above standing Rule be observed for the future excepting for the present Deputy Governour Walsh who is to be continued at two hundred Pounds per Annum according to his Agreement with the Honble President & Council of Fort St. George.

In a letter from England dated 2d February 1724–5 Par 92 are these words:

We have perused Mr. Walsh's Covenants and find they were well intended but the Company's Title should be express in our Common Printed ones without any addition thereto which serves only to give the Lawyer a handle for objection And the Clauses therein about Accounts should be in the words of our Common Covenants especially of those last sent which have heen sealed by Council. No. 8.

In West Coast Consultation dated 6th March 1723–4 are these words:

The Supravisor observes that Mr. Dunster and Mr. Deane & the present Deputy Governour Mr. Walsh have receiv'd one hundred & fifty Dollars per Mensem for Diet more than appears to be allow'd by the Establishment made by Mr. Hubbard in a Consultation dated 2d March 1721–2 which was Grounded (as near as Mr. Hubbard &c^{a}. could recollect) on what settled by Mr. Cooke and approved by the Company and therefore he thinks it ought to be Return'd. Mr. Deane says he receiv'd it because it was paid to Messrs. Hubbard and Dunster, Mr. Walsh says that when he was appointed Deputy Governour of this place by the Honble the President & Council of Fort St. George he covenanted with them to be allow'd all the Perquisites, Emoluments and Benefits that had been customaryily granted & allow'd by the Honble Company to their Deputy Governours of Fort Marlbrough. That Messrs. Cooke, Pyke & Hubbard &c^{a}. were allow'd and paid it and that he apprehends it was by Order of the Honble Company in their General Letter he believes either by the Hertford or the Addison, These letters being Mislaid or carried away by the late Supravizor And no Orders appearing for this allowance the Supravizor insists upon having the whole Return'd. AGREED that Mr. Walsh & Mr. Dunster repay into Cash what they have receiv'd on this Account till the Matter can be determin'd by the Honble the Governour and Council of Fort St. George. No. 9.

In a Consultation in Madrass dated 16th September 1724, are these words:

The next was the Money refunded by Messrs., Dunster Deane & Walsh on Account of the one hundred & fifty Dollars per Month taken off their Table. The General Letter to the West Coast per Hertford was read when the Honble Company allowed it. Upon which it was proposed to allow that Money to be Repaid but it appearing that the said Gentlemen had taken several allowances without paying for them which the Company had order'd should be paid for and a further Debate Arising the Consideration hereof was deferr'd till Mr. Hubbard should have Extracted all Orders from England and this place And resolutions in Council at Bencoolen about this Affair; only it was Resolv'd that however we should agree with respect to Messrs. Dunster and Walsh yet that Mr. Deane having been a very unfaithfull Servant to the Company & besides having no way Answer'd the intentions of our Honble Masters in the allowance which was to keep up the Grandeur and Dignity of a Deputy Governour should not have anything repaid him on this Account. No. 10.

In a Consultation [dated] September 22d 1724, Are these words:

Mr. Hubbard delivers in a report as Enter'd after this Consultation about the West Coast Diet Allowances to the Deputy Governour, which being Consider'd It was Resolved to refer the Matter to the Company for their Decision, But that till we had their Orders It should rest as it is. No. 11.

In a Letter from England per Hertford dated 9th March 1719 Paragraph 71 are these words:

We have consider'd the 28th & other Paragraphs of your Letter per the Benjamin, as also the Consultation of the 30th September all relating to the allowance of Diet Money at Fort Marlbrough and in the Consultation the Method it was settled at No. 12.

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as to allowance of Money for Diet, and quantity or value of Europe Liquors, And the quantity of Arrack And do allow the proportion therein mention'd And in regard the Deputy Governour will be at an extraordinary Expence because of the better sort of Strangers having Recourse to his Table We do allow him one hundred & fifty Dollars a Month besides the forty Dollars allow'd him to Answer that Surplus Expence, which we hope will fully reimburse him, for though at some times it may be too little when several Ships are in the Road, yet at other times there will be few or none neither need he keep open House all the year Round.

In a Letter from England, dated 1st December 1725, are these words:

No. 13. In Answer to what you write touching the one hundred & fifty Dollars per Month for Provisions formerly Granted to the Deputy Governour which the Supravizor would not allow of, Mr. Deane was so ill a Servant that he should have no part of it, As to Mr. Dunster, It is plain he was deficient in his Cash at the time of his Death in a great sum perhaps part of it might be Embezzled as you write And if he had according to our Orders produced his Cash monthly to the Council there could scarce have happen'd any but what might have been easily discover'd, yet it is highly probable he had his Hand in the Chest too, so that we have no reason to consent to any allowance to him. As for Mr. Walsh we shall not determine anything till we hear whether the commendations you give him deserve a Favour of this kind by his perseverance in well doing, though by what the Supravizor writes it is plain that Grant was obtain'd by wrong Representations, and if not, yet the Circumstances of Affairs are much alter'd since, And as he says the present allowance of one hundred Dollars a month is sufficient for a Deputy Governour's reasonable expences. Add to this the Indulgence of Trade hereby allow'd and Mr. Walsh will have no cause to Complain if we proceed no farther.

In a Letter from Mr. Macrae to Mr. Walsh dated in Fort St. George October 3d 1724, Are these words:

No. 14. In relation to the Money you have refunded I find there is a Letter here from the Honble Court that did then approve of the Establishment of 150 Dollars per mensem to the Deputy Governour of Fort Marlbrough, but no such Letter could be produced while I was there, nor no authority for said Establishment from this Board, which was the reason for ordering the said refund because that allowance was not in any Establishment extant. It was moved here to Represent that Matter to England in order the Reimbursement of that Refund, I did not oppose it in what relates to you and the late Mr. Dunster's estate and give for reason that as the thing had been approved from Europe and neither you nor he had acted unworthy the Honble Company's Bounty I could not see any Objection, but that as to Mr. Deane his Table never deserv'd it nor his Actions.

In the West Coast Consultations dated 25th August 1726, are these words:

No. 15 That we are a little surprized at this demanding of Us any Surplus of money to be repaid him on Account of Diet and Sallary after he had himself sign'd the Consultation wherein these things were given up.

In the West Coast Consultation of 25th March 1724, are these words:

No. 16. Agreed that the Allowance of Wine & Arrack &c^a^. be entirely taken off and the whole Charge of Diet settled in the following manner and only allowed to the following Persons, vizt.

	Dollars.
To the Deputy Governour per month	100
To the Second of Council	40
To the 3d, 4th, 5th & 6th each	35
To each Factor	20
To each Writer	15
To Lieut^ts^. Surgeon & Ensign each	20

In the West Coast Consultation September 30th 1718, are these words:

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In order further to retrench the Honble Company's Charges particularly in that Article of Charges of Diet, of which they so much Complain which by Stewards Accounts including Stores still amounts to generally from 1500 to 1700 Dollars per Month. The Supravisor proposes a certain allowance of Diet and Liquors to each of the Covenanted Servants &c[a]. the whole by Calculation amounting to no more than Dollars 604½ per Month which will lower the Charge at least 1000 Dollars per month And is what we think very sufficient, And not extravagant, viz[t].: No. 17.

	Dollars.	
To the Supravizor Diet Money per month	40	
To James Hubbard 2d of Council	25	
To Mr. Stephen Newcome third	20	
To Mr. John Kinton fourth	20	
To Mr. William Palmer fifth	20	
	—	125
To 9 Factors, 1 Surgeon & Captain being 11 persons each	15	165
To Messrs. Thomas Bayly &c[a]. Writers 7 per:	10	70
To Henry Cockram &c[a]. 5 persons	4	20

Allowance of Wine or such Europe Liquors the Honble Company are pleased to supply us with either from England or Fort St. George, to be delivered monthly by the Storekeeper as the Supravisor shall think fit to direct, viz[t].

	Gallons.
To the Supravisor 80 bottles per month	20
To the 2d of Council 48 „	12
To the 3d, 4th & 5th 40 each	30
To 9 Factors, Surgeon & Captain 11 persons 30 each	82½
To 7 Writers	20
per Month	179½

28 Persons Allowance in Arrack to be delivered out Monthly by the Storekeeper, viz[t].

	Gallons.
To the Supravizor per Month	24
To the Second of Council	14½
To the 3d, 4th & 5th of Council	36
To 9 Factors, Surgeon & Captain 11 per n 9 each	99
To 7 Writers 6 each	42
Per Month	215½

Or about 1½ Leag[rs]. per month at 30 is per Month Dollars	45
28 Persons by Calculation will cost per Month Dollars	604½

In West Coast Consultation 30th September 1718, are these words, Viz[t]. :

And also that the Storekeeper do dispose of all Dieting Stores or House utensils under his Charge to the Company's Servants for the use of their own Table at 20 per cent advance on Invoice, And as we suppose the Gentlemen will divide themselves into particular Messes, ORDER'D that each Mess Consisting of four Persons be allow'd one of the Company's slaves for their attendance. No. 18.

In West Coast Letter to Fort St. George dated 29th November 1718, are these words :

We hope your Hon[r]. &c[a]. will not think the Allowances in any respect unreasonable, Provisions being so excessive dear in this place that it is impossible for the Gentlemen to subsist on their Diet Money without proportionable Allowance of Liquors though our Honble Masters do say in their 61 Paragraph of their Letter per Queen that those who have Diet Money, that must be accounted as their allowance of Food & Liquors, yet we can't believe that they themselves will think it too much when they are sensible how much Money is monthly saved in their Cash thereby. Wherefore if your Hon[r]. &c[a]. are pleas'd to approve of what we have done in this particular We desire you will supply us yearly with the quantity of thirty Pipes either of Wine or Beer of such sorts as you think most proper which will be barely sufficient to make good our yearly Expence the allowance here being 180 Gallons and at Bantall eighty Gallons per Month or thereabouts. No. 19.

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The Company having forbid us buying any Europe Liquors in this place unless their designs of supplying us from Madrass be frustrated, and we do assure you that whatever we may receive from your Hon^r. &c^a. or from England more than will make good our allowance shall not be Expended but be dispos'd of for our Honble Masters' Account.

To the Honble James Macrae Esqr.

President and Governour of Fort S^t. George &c^a. Council.

Honble Sir & Sirs

I have perused the Petition which was deliver'd into this Board the 9th Instant by the Right and Left hand Casts " In behalf of themselves and all the Inhabitants of the City of Madrass " Complaining of several Matters therein set forth & as the tendency of that Paper seems chiefly to effect the Stated Laws of our Land and appears to be an ungratefull Return for His Majesty's Special Favour in Granting and the Honourable Company's Goodness in obtaining the Royal Charter which was Calculated to be the Standard of their Libertys, I am of opinion it behoves this Honourable Board to Enquire whether the said Petition was preferr'd through Ignorance or at the Instigation of 111 designing Men, so that if it appears to be the former the Persons who signed it may receive a reprimand, or if the latter be punish'd in such manner as His Majesty's Justices shall think convenient. And I do with respect further Offer for my part to this Honourable Board that the said Paper may not meet with so much Encouragement here, as to be Enter'd upon our Consultations (though after reading the same it was so Order'd) least it be an ill Example in future serving to incite others to Contemn our most wholesome Laws Although it may not be improper to transmit it to our Honble Masters for their Perusal.

I am
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most obedient humble Servant
Charles Peers.

Fort S^t. George
The 18th. December 1729.

At a Consultation

Present

Monday 29th.

James Macrae Esqr. Governour President.
John Roach.
Randal Fowke. Samuel Hyde.
Augustus Burton.

The Import Warehousekeeper pays into Cash five Thousand 5000 pagodas account of Broad cloth.

Messieurs Roach, Fowke and Peers deliver in their report concerning Daveroyah's petition with the measures They have taken to make both parties easy, which are approved of and the report ordered to be entered after this Consultation.

The petition of the Bread Bakers was read. Ordered that the petition be referred to the Mayor's Court and to recommend to them that Confiscation of the bread as formerly be a Sufficient fine for the badness of Bread, and that every one ought to have Liberty to bake that well.

M^r. Walsh delivers in an obligation to the Honble Company for four Thousand thirteen pagodas and twenty four fanams 4013. 24—according to the condition in last Consultation.

Ja^s. Macrae.
Robt. Symonds.
J. Roach.
Randall Fowke.
S^el. Hyde.
Aug: Burton.
[*Lacuna*].

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